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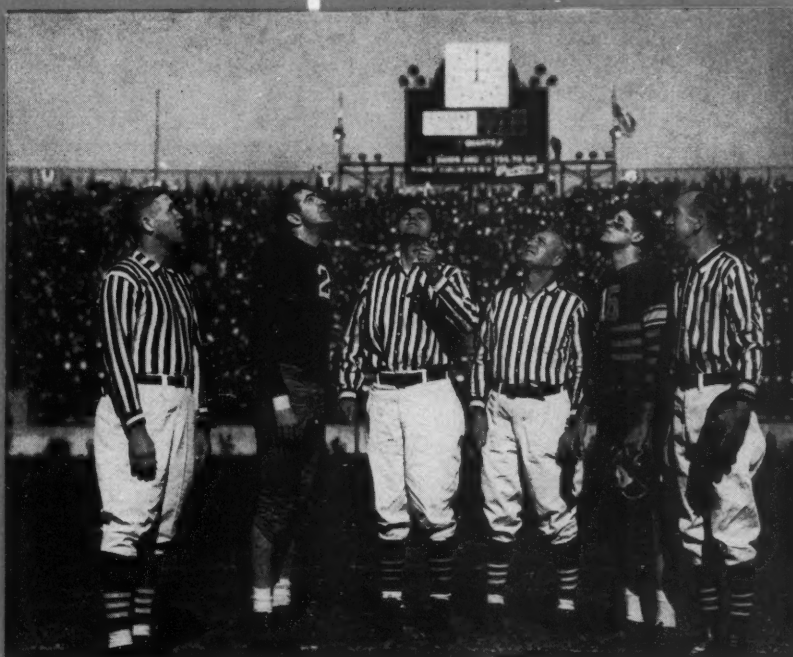


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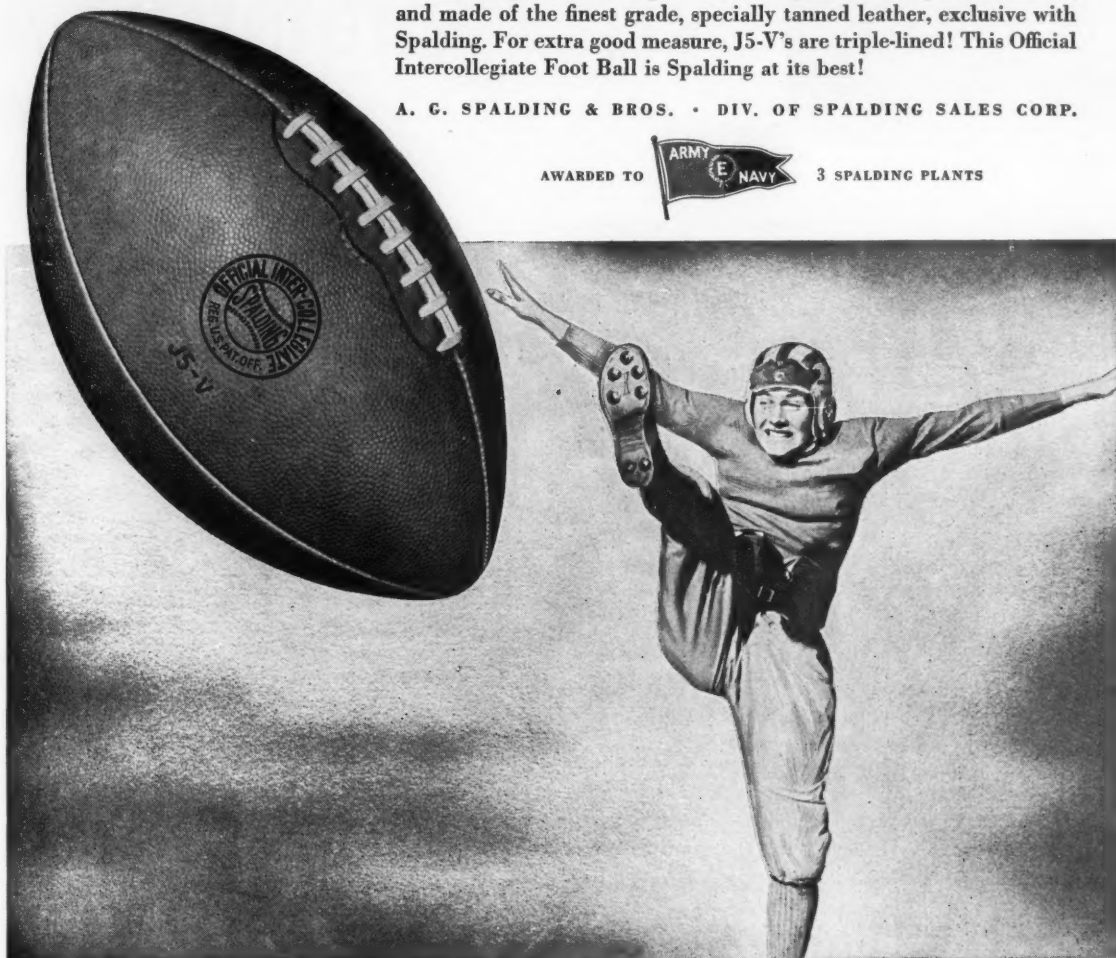
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TENNESSEE MILITARY

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By COL. C. R. ENDSLEY

Tennessee Military Institute has been operated under its present name since 1902. However, it is a lineal descendant of Sweetwater Military College, founded in 1874 by Dr. J. Lynn Bachman. This makes a continuous history of seventy years of scholastic work combined with military training. In the early days of the school emphasis was primarily on the side of thorough scholastic work, character-molding influences, with little time devoted to athletic activities.

In 1902 the name was changed from Sweetwater Military College to Tennessee Military Institute. By that time the school had already outgrown its accommodations in one building in Sweetwater and had been transferred to another building. It continued under the new name in property that is now occupied by Sweetwater Hospital until 1909. Advertising in national magazines had brought the school to the attention of people in all parts of the United States and the growth of the school made it necessary to have enlarged facilities. Consequently, in 1909, an attractive site just outside the corporate limits of Sweetwater was purchased and the construction of the present plant was started in that year.

In 1919 a group of officers now conducting the school became connected with T.M.I. and since that date there has been a steady growth in the enrollment of the school and very substantial additions made to buildings and equipment. The campus, which in 1919 comprised twenty acres, has been enlarged by purchase to 144 acres. Some additional dormitory space has been added but

the main expenditures have been in the form of internal improvements rather than enlargements. An exception to this statement would be the new gymnasium erected in the summer of 1937.

The athletic program of Tennessee Military Institute is discussed in a separate article. The chief emphasis in the school has been in the line of thorough scholastic work and preparation for the requirements of the better colleges and professional schools. The administrative officers of T. M. I. believe that mental discipline is the most valuable product of the educational program at the prep school level. Therefore, thoroughness in instruction and mastery of lesson assignments have first place in the program of the school. Believing that these results can be best attained with a limited enrollment, despite the large numbers seeking admission in recent years, the enrollment has been held to approximately two hundred boys, with only two boys assigned to each cadet room. Another factor contributing to the success of the school has been the steadiness of policy resulting from continuous administration. In reality, there have been only three groups of administrative officers since the school was started in 1874, the present group having been in charge since 1919. During the period since 1919, teacher changes in the entire faculty have averaged less than ten per cent per year.

At this time plans are being drawn for a new Science Department building and some additional classrooms. This will be constructed just as soon as wartime restrictions are lifted. Likewise

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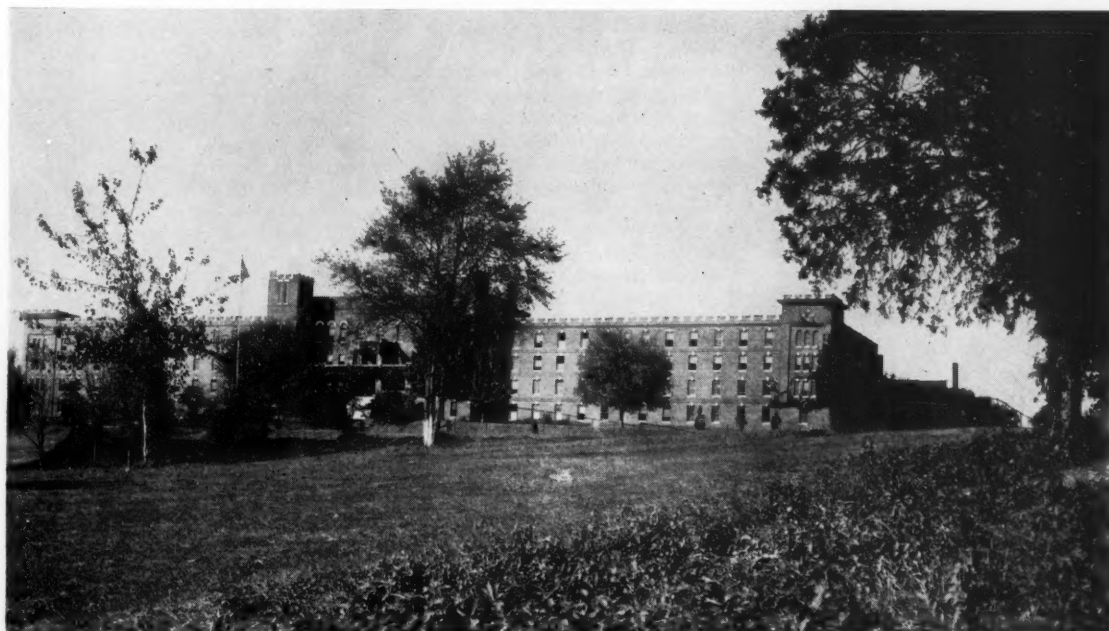
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W. D. Haynes, Athletic Director

we expect at the same time to erect another building that will provide commodious quarters for the school library and a general recreation room separate from the gymnasium. A long-term lease has been taken on a peninsula consisting of 160 acres, extending for more than a mile into Watts Bar Lake. The first three buildings of a recrea-

tional camp have been constructed and others will be added at the close of the war. With the completion of this building program, which has already been provided for, Tennessee Military Institute will have a plant unexcelled in Southern territory by any other school with an attendance of two hundred boys.



Main Barracks, Tennessee Military Institute

ATHLETICS AT TENNESSEE MILITARY ACADEMY

By W. D. HAYNES, Athletic Director

T. M. I. has a limited enrollment of 200 boys, 13 to 17 years of age, nearly all of whom enter below the junior year. The average senior has been in school for approximately three years. Conditions in a school, its size, its other objectives, and policies, must be considered in building an athletic program which is adequate but does not encroach on the time or energy allotment of other activities. The athletic program here has developed through carefully considered steps to a present state that we consider to be the best suited to the needs of our boys. The program, outlined below, is as of normal times but is now followed as closely as difficulties of travel will permit.

All play is divided into three general heads, as follows: First, the varsity teams, playing full schedules in football, basketball, track, boxing, fencing, tennis, golf, and swimming. Second, junior varsity and also freshmen teams, using the same system, signals, etc., as the varsity teams, and playing games with similar groups from other schools in the major sports. Third, the intramural program starting with physical tests determining stamina, speed, strength and coordination of all boys and continuing into games between the four companies in football, basketball, track, softball, volleyball tennis, golf, and swimming. Other sports are added when advisable.

To conduct the above program neither expense nor energy is spared. The school has superior physical equipment, consisting of a new gymnasium which provided adequate facilities for all indoor sports; a good athletic field and cinder track; a second field for football practice and softball; a beautiful swimming pool; six tennis courts, and our own golf course. Experienced coaches are normally provided for all varsity, junior varsity, and freshman teams. At the outbreak of the war, five



members of the coaching staff of seven entered service. One of them, Anderson Austin, has lost his life. Others may return to their former positions. At present four coaches are attempting to carry on and are doing a splendid job. The intramural program is under the supervision of a full-time director who is assisted by other faculty members and also by outstanding athletes in the various companies.

The T. M. I. program has worked very satisfactorily, as shown by the following facts: Play is not compulsory, yet an average of over 90 per cent of all students play on an organized team each year. More than half the students earn an athletic letter yearly. Strong teams are developed consistently, from our comparatively small student body, which rank with the best in Southern prep circles in nearly all sports without giving any type of "athletic scholarship" to attract outstanding high school performers. Our teams have been composed of boys practically all of whom have had all their ath-

letic experience at T. M. I. It is unusual to have a first-year boy starting on a varsity team.

T. M. I. has developed several championship teams and many great college athletes, but takes as much pride in the hundreds of boys who could not be outstanding but have here learned to play with other boys, developed strong bodies, and are now performing magnificently in the service of our country.

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THE ONE-HAND SHOT

By JOE DAVIS, Basketball Coach, Rice Institute

FIVE years ago if someone had told me that I would coach a basketball team where all members shot all of their shots with one hand, I'd have laughed in their face. At that time, I considered it a HOPE SHOT and continued to think this until I saw the Rice Basketball Team play in 1940. For three seasons I watched "Buster" Brannon's Rice Team shoot it out with the opposing teams of this section. One of the teams he beat was the Phillips 66, starring Hank Luisetti. They sold me on the one-hand shot. Brannon went into the Navy after his 1942 season and I became basketball coach for the duration. We continued to shoot with one hand and still like it very much.

The advantages of the one-hand shot, as we see it, are as follows: First, and very important, it does away with the coordinating of the right and left hands. How often have you seen the ball go to the right or left of the basket when both hands do not release the ball at the same time?

Second, the ball is held high and is extremely difficult to guard. It is rare to see a shot of this kind blocked.

Third, the ball is held to one side of the face and the vision is never impaired by the ball passing between the eyes and the basket.

I am certain some will say that it is hard to fake a shot and dribble. To me, that is the best thing about the shot. I would be perfectly satisfied if our players never dribbled. We think the dribble is a necessary evil and don't use it unless we have to.

The shot as we try to coach it is as follows:

The ball is held on the tips of the fingers. The hand is directly behind the ball with the forearm perpendicular to the floor. Some of the players take the ball up to shooting position with both hands. This is left to the individual. The shot is made by the wrist, fingers and forearm. We attempt to keep the upper arm and the biceps muscles out of it. Some of the players use a slight rotation of the ball from left to right as it is taken into position to be shot.



Coach Joe Davis, whose Rice team was co-champions of the Southwest Conference last season.

Those doing this invariably take the ball into position with both hands. This is an individual characteristic and is not taught. I have noticed that players using this slight rotation seem to be more relaxed.

The ball leaves the fingers with a slow reverse spin that is natural. At this phase, the entire arm is practically straight and reaching toward the goal. A great deal of attention is paid to the follow-through and the relaxation of the fingers, wrist and arm. These are fundamentals of any shot but they have to be stressed.

One of the most important fundamentals of the shot is the stance. We like to have the knees bent, right foot forward (if right-handed) and the weight evenly distributed on both feet. We practice a lot having the players break into position, receive the pass, stop, LOOK AT THE BASKET, and shoot.

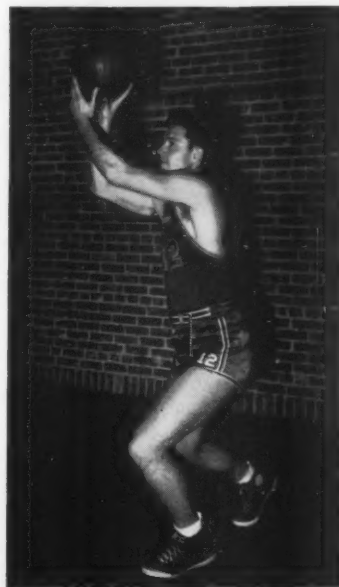
The shot twenty-two feet out from the basket is the same except the player takes a very short step with his left foot and goes into the air to

shoot. We like to have him land in the same spot from which the jump was made. To insure this, we practice, as we did with the two-hand shot, shooting over a defensive man's outstretched arm.

We have had one or two that couldn't learn to shoot the one-hand shot. Their fingers, wrist and arm was too stiff. We insisted that they use a two-hand push shot. Needless to say, they were poor shots with both hands.

There are two fundamentals of shooting that must be stressed over and over. Looking at the basket and then shooting. We insist that our player keep the eyes glued to the basket and not follow the flight of the ball. The other fundamental is never to rush a shot. We feel that more shots are missed by rushing the shot than are blocked. We try to sell our players on the idea that the defensive player has made a good play when he blocks the shot, and we never want to rush.

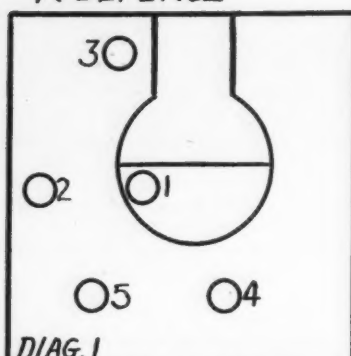
J. D. Thomas, The Rice Institute, 1943 All - Southwest Conference guard, demonstrates correct form for the one-hand shot.



The Unbalanced Formation Against Zone Defense

By GUS TEBELL, Basketball Coach, University of Virginia

○ OFFENSE
X DEFENSE



I HAVE been experimenting considerably with an unbalanced formation against the zone defense since my last article, and I am convinced that we will give the zone defense trouble. We can use either quarter of the court, depending on how good our material is with the use of the left or right hand. Place the offense in positions as shown in **Diagram 1**.

This offense will work against any type of zone defense. No. 1 should be your best floor guard, No. 2 your best set-shot, No. 3 the center and rebounder. The other two men can be run-of-mine players. Let us look at this set-up against a 2-in, 3-out zone. The defense would have to adjust itself quickly to keep No. 1 and No. 2 from having easy shots. See **Diagram 2**.

A 3-in and 2-out zone would not fare much better. **Diagram 3**.

A 2-1-2 zone would come the closest to covering, but will still give us plenty of open shots. Any type of zone defense allows easy ball handling because the guarding is not close and with the unbalanced formation we can work a lot of short, quick passes which are tough on the zone.

Diagram 4:

In order to cover all the men concentrated in one-half the offensive court, the defense will have to move over with the offense and, to be effective, they will play the individuals. When this happens, we must be prepared to make the offense go against a man-for-man. Unless we can do this, the defense can revert back to a zone when we try to set up some other formation.

You can work out your variations. Here are three of mine:

Diagram 5:

Let No. 5 pass in to No. 1 and then cut off No. 1 for a return pass.

No. 1 can either give it to No. 5, or he can fake and then hook to No. 3, or turn and shoot for the goal himself.

Diagram 6:

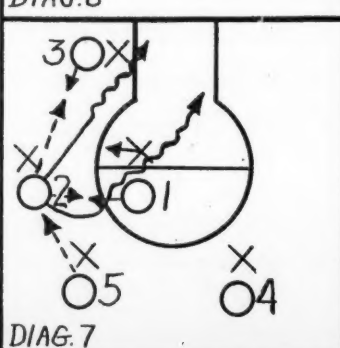
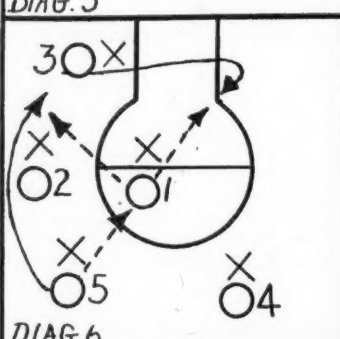
No. 5 passes to No. 1 and then cuts by No. 2. No. 3 moves to the open space and No. 1 can hook to either No. 5 or No. 3.

Diagram 7:

No. 5 passes to No. 2. No. 1 moves to his right and takes a pass from No. 2 and returns the pass as No. 2 cuts off and breaks into the open space. No. 2 can also work with No. 3 in the same way.

Start the boys off with a play or two and the first thing you know they will have some ideas of their own. Some of them may be good. I believe it is worth a try.

---→ PASS
→ CUT
~~~~~ DRIBBLE



# TEACHING MAN-TO-MAN DEFENSE

By GEORGE REYNOLDS, Basketball Coach, Sewanee Military Academy

IN this day of offensive basketball, when the race horses vie with the spin shot artists for the headlines, defense has been relegated to a secondary role. Especially for the coach who does not have a wealth of material, a good portion of time spent on teaching defensive fundamentals and tactics will pay real dividends, in our opinion. Much faster strides can be made, particularly with less gifted material, with defense than with offense. Almost any player with determination and a fair amount of physical prowess can learn to fairly effectively take care of his opponent. We spend considerable time in working individually on the man-to-man defense and feel that it definitely pays off, particularly in the relative score.

In man-to-man defense, a player has two things to do, stop his man from scoring and get that ball. It is difficult to say just which is more important, but it certainly would be agreed that the defensive player should be able to do both successfully, to be effective. In this discussion, we are primarily interested in "stopping his opponent."

In teaching man-to-man defense, it is desirable to have some kind of competition in any drill you may devise. Naturally we first instruct the new men in proper stance, guarding position, and certain phases of individual defense. But almost at once we use the drill illustrated in Diagram 1 to get across defense.

In Diagram 1, X2 is the offensive player whom O is to guard. X1 is another offensive man unguarded, and particularly in the first drills it is desirable to have the coach or an experienced player as X1. X1 starts play by passing to X2, who is standing just beyond the circle. X2 may shoot, fake and dribble for a shot, or pass to X1 and break for the basket for a return pass. Often X2 will pass to X1 and use the latter as a post to screen off his guard. Naturally this gives the offensive man practice in using a screening post effectively. After the shot is taken, both men, X2 and O, go for the ball off the board. If X2 gets the ball he either takes a follow shot or uses X1 again to pass and attempt to get into position for an-

**Coach Reynolds has coached basketball for nearly a quarter of a century at Simpson School, Birmingham, Ala., Castle Heights Military Academy and Sewanee Military Academy. He has won several State and Mid-South championships and lost but one point in the finals of the National Academy Tournament at Madison, Wis., in 1928.**

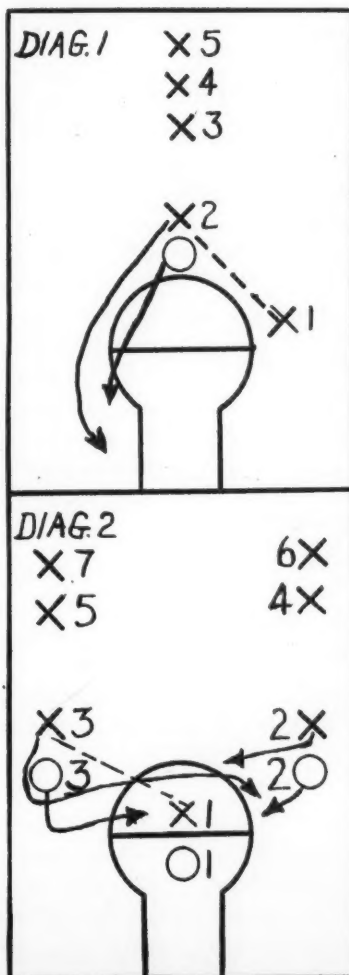
**He is the dean of Mid-South basketball coaches, this being his nineteenth year of service in that league. When the Mid-South Coaches Association was organized, he was selected as its first president.**

other shot. If the guard gets the ball, he comes out with it. X2 goes to the end of the line and X3 gets into position. We prefer to keep the same man on defense to face some three to seven players. We attempt to correct the defensive man on any and all mistakes as he makes them.

In this drill, we usually begin by stressing the right "position" to assume. The guard should be in a direct line, or almost a direct line, between his man and the basket at all times, continually shifting with the movement of the offensive player. His stance and equilibrium should always be such that he can quickly and easily maneuver to maintain this position, even when the offensive performer breaks at top speed for the basket. We prefer the stance with feet apart, one arm up, the other down to aid mobility. One of the most common faults of the guard occurs when the forward fakes a shot. If the guard goes for the fake, and particularly if he jumps after the faked shot, he cannot recover in time to maintain his "position" on the forward if the latter breaks for the basket.

A guard must prevent long shots, certainly at least hurry them; more important he must prevent the offensive player from breaking around him and "getting in front of him" in respect to the basket. In order for a relatively slow man to prevent his opponent from breaking past him, he therefore must not play him too close when some distance from the basket, say beyond the distance of the circle away. Judging this correct distance to stay away from the offensive man, it seems to me, is one of the greatest secrets of individual defensive play. A defensive man must learn to quickly determine the speed, the cleverness, and maneuverability of his opponent, and play him accordingly. If he is a good long shot, he must play closer than otherwise. The experienced defensive player will quickly learn all the above factors about a new opponent and make the proper adjustments, particularly as to the distance he must stay away from his opponent, naturally playing him closer

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### *Sports' Hardest Year?*

*"This I beheld, or dreamed it in a dream:  
There spread a cloud of dust along a plain;  
And underneath the cloud, or in it, raged  
A furious battle, and men yelled, and swords  
Shocked upon swords and shields. A prince's banner*

*wavered, then staggered backward, hemmed by  
foes.*

*A craven hung along the battle's edge  
And thought, 'Had I a sword of keener steel—  
That blue blade that the king's son bears—but this  
Blunt thing—!' He snapt and flung it from his  
hand,*

*And, lowering, crept away and left the field.  
Then came the king's son, wounded, sore bestead,  
And weaponless, and saw the broken sword,  
Hilt-buried in the dry and trodden sand,  
And ran and snatched it, and with battle-shout  
Lifted afresh, he hewed his enemy down,  
And saved a great cause that heroic day."*

—EDWARD ROWLAND SILL.

**W**ITH the allied armies making their final "touchdown drives" over Germany and Japan, the year 1945 might be sports' hardest year. Any phase of the sports program which would slow down that important drive should and will be restricted. Unless it does hamper the war effort, the sports program should continue. It should not be dropped or curtailed merely because you do not have your usual good material and cannot see a winning team for the season ahead. That is the attitude of some coaches and administrators, but it is not the spirit of

American sports. You may lose every game on your schedule next season, and yet make a definite contribution to the moral and physical well-being of your community. It is not the spirit of sports to be promised victory. The real sportsman wants to fight for it, and if he loses, he asks only the privilege of another battle. He is never whipped. If he is defeated, he considers it but a preliminary skirmish to the decisive battle which lies ahead. The ability to come back for more when they think you are beaten is what makes a real fighter.

Take what material you have, organize it to the best of your ability, and scrap it out to the end of the season. Regardless of the game scores, you and your boys will finish the season stronger in heart and spirit for the fight you have made, and your spirit of courageous effort will exert an immeasurable influence on the lives of others in the community!

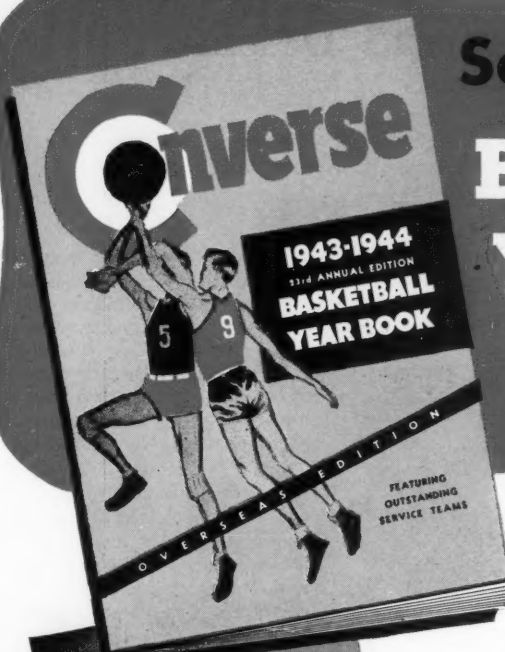
### *Power Brings Responsibility*

*"How far that little candle throws his beams!  
So shines a good deed in a naughty world."*

**I**NFLUENCE is a power often unappreciated, and with it comes responsibility which should be seriously assumed. Many athletes do not realize how much they influence the lives of young boys of their communities. Children, and many grown-ups, are subject to "hero-worship." They idolize the star athlete for his feats of skill on the athletic field and they try to follow the pattern of his behavior on and off the field. A thoughtless act or a careless word by him might echo down the years, through generations after his time. The thoughtful and conscientious person knows that his influence is a power granted to him in trust. When some athletes are not worthy of this trust, it becomes the duty of the coach and school administrator to require a reasonable standard of behavior. There are some places where language is careless and foul, on the field and in the locker rooms. We are thankful that it is not general. The correction can be made easily by one person—the coach. Coaches who will not assume the responsibility for a decent standard of conduct are not worthy of the position. Let's standardize our standards of behavior. Players and coaches, accept your responsibility!



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# Offensive Play Against the Spread Defense

By JOHN W. MAUER

Basketball Coach, University of Tennessee

EVERY coach has been faced with the problem of meeting the "spread-or-pressure defense." In some games you are forced to play against it for the whole game while at other times you must meet it when you hold a small lead at the end of the ball game. In either case it is prevalent enough to force you to prepare for it as well as you do for any other type of defense.

Theoretically, it should be a weak defense. The men are spread all over the court and once the offense penetrates the front line they are in the clear for a good shot. If this is true why do most coaches and players dislike to meet this defense and why is it so effective? I believe the answer is as follows:

*First:* Most teams do not practice against it enough to know properly how to attack it. Consequently poor ball handling, poor offensive balance and lack of poise in your attack causes you to look badly against the spread-defense. A comparable case in football is that of the team which has not practiced against a seven-man line and when suddenly confronted with it experiences great difficulty in properly attacking it. If this is true, I feel that considerable time should be spent against this type of defense in order to give you the good ball handling, proper offensive balance, and poise needed to combat it.

*Second:* Your team should attack this defense with the theory that once you get by the primary line you should try to score; however, on the other hand, you should remember that once you are across the middle line possession of the ball is most important and should be your prime objective. The ten-second restriction acts as an additional pressure with the use of the spread and does much to destroy poise and balance in your attack. Try to mentally prepare your boys against this by acquainting them with the long interval involved in a ten-second period. Tell them that men

can run a hundred yards in this same period so by comparison they should be able to cover a maximum of forty-seven feet in the same interval even though they are being pressured by the defense. The release that they will get mentally by understanding this problem will help them to have more poise in getting the ball across the middle of the floor.

*Third:* Another effect of the spread to be overcome is that unless you are coached against it the tendency to play the other fellow's game will develop. Most teams using the spread-defense play a fast-breaking offensive game. Unless you yourself are well schooled in this type of game there will be the inclination on your part to play the other fellow's game and since he is better equipped to do this he should beat you.

I have not tried to diagram any attack against the "spread-defense" because everyone has his own idea of offense. I do feel, however, that the three mental elements listed above are problems to be solved regardless of how you attack this defense. You are sure to face it sometime or other during the season and hence I think you should spend considerable time in preparing to meet it effectively.

Speaking in behalf of the "spread-defense," I will say that should you be faced with the necessity of using small, fast men, this type of defense will be very effective. If you want to combat height and rebounding ability it will do much to help you out. The small, fast man can make up for lack of height by his speed and aggressiveness.

All teams are faced with the necessity of using this defense when they are behind, late in the game, and the opponents decide to "freeze" the ball. Hence, a certain amount of time should be spent with this "spread-defense" and while teaching it you can also work on your offense against it.

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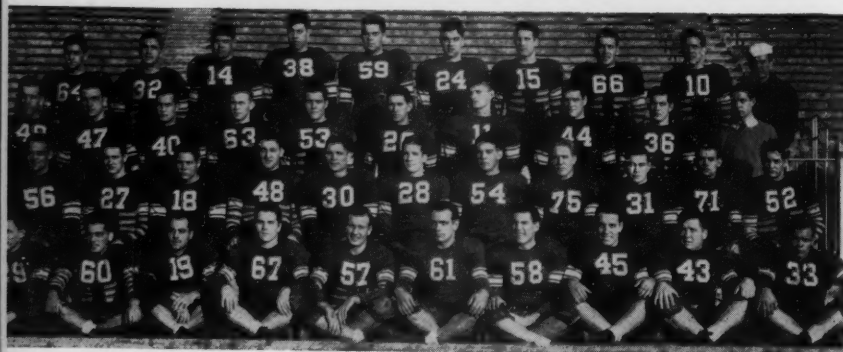
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## Southern Bowl Teams, January 1, 1945



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Above: Duke University—Sugar Bowl: Duke 29, Alabama 26



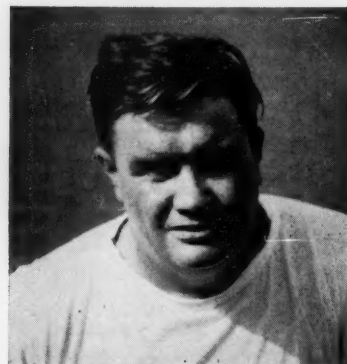
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Below: Georgia Tech—Orange Bowl: Georgia Tech 12, Tulsa 26



Coach John Barnhill, Tennessee



Coach Eddie Cameron, Duke

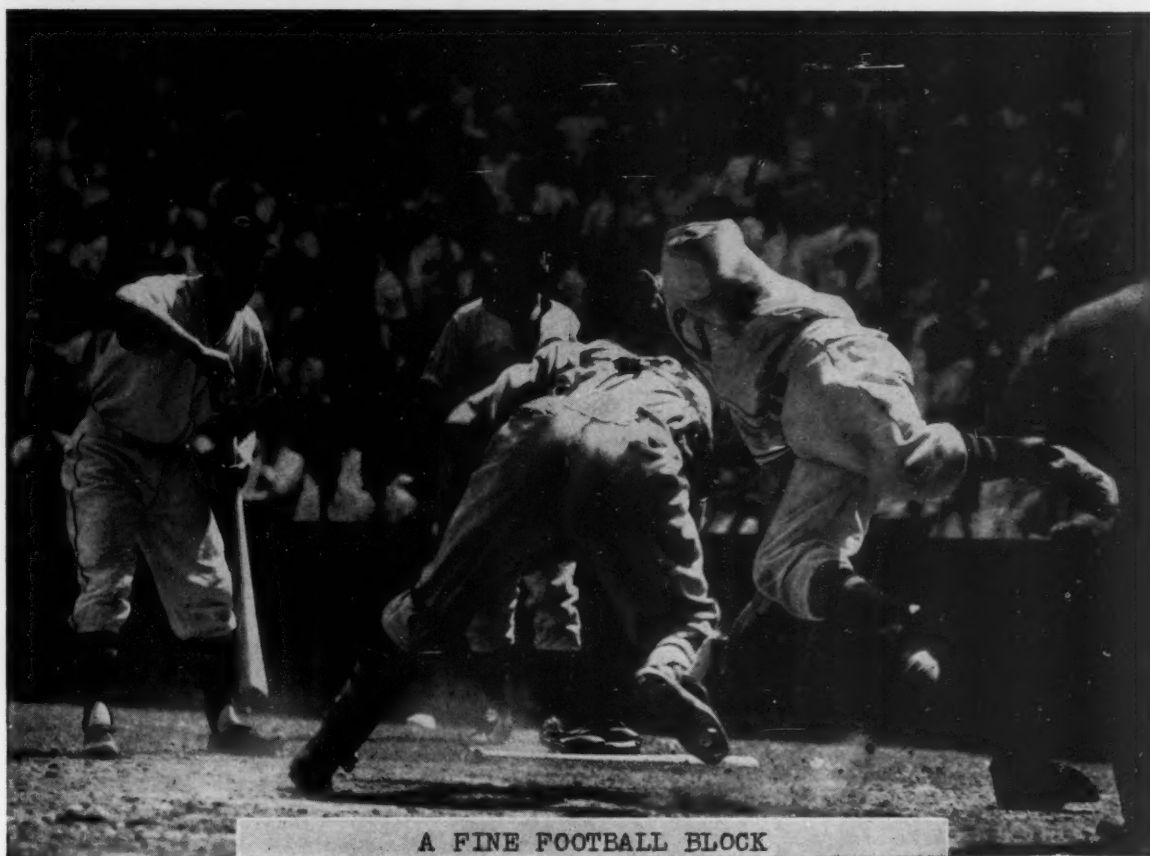


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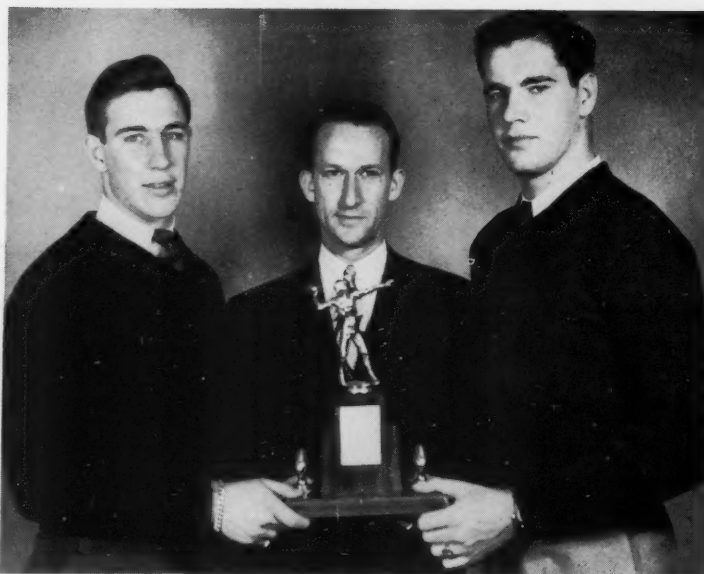
By HANK WOLF

Undefeated the past two years and in their last two contests in 1942, St. Christopher's School of Richmond, has extended its winning streak in football through 19 games. The Saints have annexed the Old Dominion preparatory school grid championships two years in succession.

In bowling over nine foes in 1943 and eight in 1944, Coach Hugh Brenaman's Saints totaled 531 points and limited the opposition to 69 points. All of which means the Richmond school has averaged 31.2 points to their rivals' 4 points a game — a remarkable and unusual record.

Only one opponent—Petersburg (Va.) High School—has scored as high as two touchdowns against the Saints in the last two campaigns. On the other hand, Brenaman's boys have never totaled less than 19 points a game. Their best scoring job was over Benedictine, 54-0, on Oct. 14, 1943.

At the helm of football at St. Christopher's for 22 years, Brenaman has watched his charges compile 117 victories against 36 setbacks and 18 ties. In city competition with Benedictine, John Marshall and Thomas Jefferson High Schools, the Saints have totaled 43 wins against only 12 defeats and six stalemates.



## TROPHY TO CHAMPIONS

St. Christopher's, by going through its eight-game schedule undefeated, won Sidney Newman's city championship football trophy for the second successive season. The award was presented to the Saints' co-captains Lynn Chewning (left) and Jonathan Jenkins (right) by Milton Brown, Newman's store manager.

The Saints have annexed the Sidney Newman city championship trophy with ease the past two seasons.

Tailback Lynn Chewning concluded his great grid career at St.

Christopher's with a total of 233 points in 3 years. Fullback Bill Hawkins, who converted 39 one-pointers from placement in two years for the  
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## ST. CHRISTOPHER'S (RICHMOND, VA.) UNDEFEATED 1944 SQUAD—VIRGINIA PREP. SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

Coached by Hugh Brenaman

Front row, left to right: Desportes, Davenport, Maris, Co-Captain Jenkins, Co-Captain Chewning, Wall, Ford, Hollo-way. Second row: Sydnor, Rixey, Davis, Mulvey, Tyler, Hart, Horsley, Chapman. Back row: Line Coach Dean Grove, Co-Manager Talley, Dameron, Hawkins, Noftsinger, Smith, McCauley, Ashworth, Co-Manager Van Cleef, and Head Coach Hugh Brenaman.



# ALABAMA

By FRED ADAMS

**A**S IN 1943, high schools throughout Alabama experienced a fine football season in 1944, both in the quality of play and in attendance.

The third year of war-time football saw teams that were closer matched, made up of younger and lighter boys, but nonetheless teams that played wide-open, interesting football.

The 1944 season also saw the spectacular "T" formation put into wide use by the prep schools of Alabama.

There was no official "state champion" this past season. Woodlawn's Colonels, of Birmingham, who had gone undefeated since the 1940 season, were pushed from their perch, losing three games.

West End, also of Birmingham, using the "T" formation under Coach Ernest Teel, went through an eight-game schedule undefeated and appeared headed for the championship, but lost to an underdog Ramsey eleven 19-0, in the Crippled Children's Clinic game at Legion Field in Birmingham.

Jackson, Sheffield and Arab High Schools went through the season undefeated. A 12-12 tie marred the record for Jackson, and of the two undefeated and untied squads, Sheffield had a little rougher schedule, taking the measure of six state teams (one of them twice) and two out-of-state toughies.

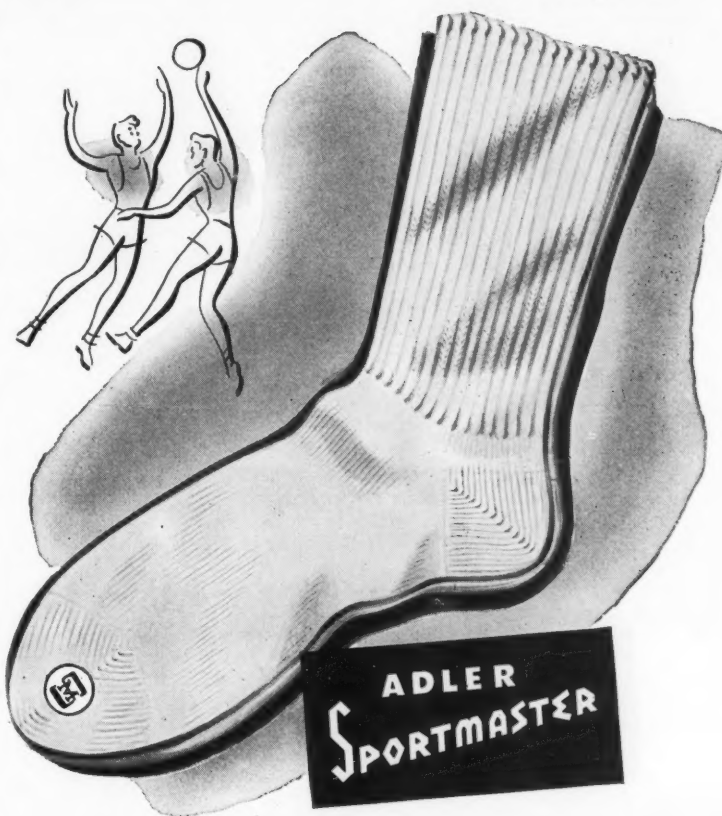
Gadsden High was undefeated by State teams, losing only to DuPont Manual, of Louisville, Ky. Albert G. Parrish High, of Selma, and Central High, of Phoenix City, were also undefeated by state rivals.

When the All-State ballots, turned in annually to the Birmingham News-Age-Herald, were compiled, two youngsters were chosen for the second consecutive season. Repeaters were Tackle Lewis Lawley, of Woodlawn, and Guard Hays McKinney, of Gadsden, who was a unanimous choice two years in a row. Other members of the honor team were Jim Burns, West End, at the other tackle; Buck Brown, West End, at the other guard; Rebel Steimer, of Ensley (Birmingham), and Ted Ivey, B. B. Comer (Syla-

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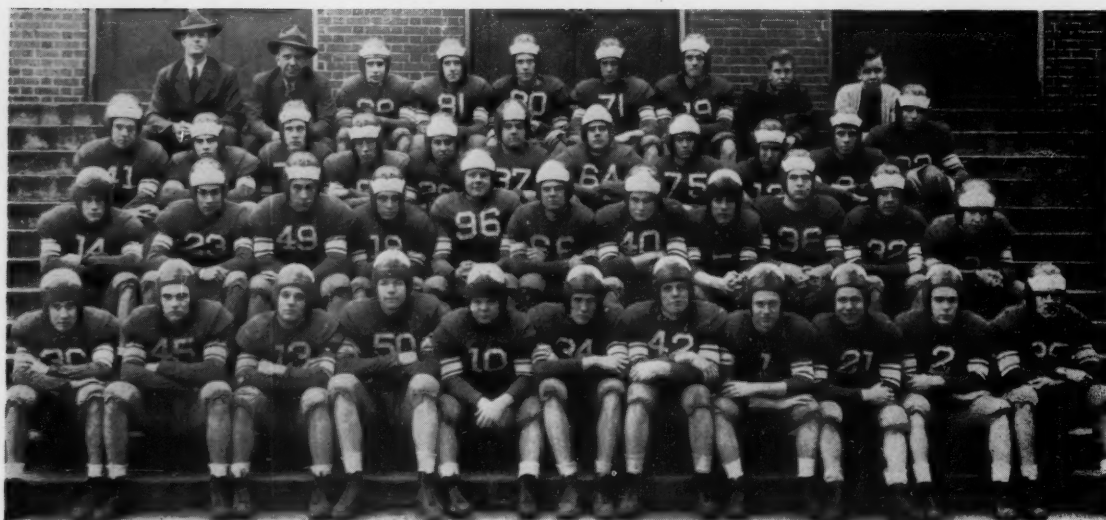
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# GEORGIA

By CHARLIE ROBERTS, Atlanta Constitution Sports Writer



BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL, ATLANTA, GA.—1944 G. I. A. A. AND SOUTHERN CHAMPIONS

Coached by R. L. Doyal

Front row, left to right: Tiller, Barrett, T. Pope, Doyal, Allman, Upchurch, Brodnax, Trotter, Kelly, Ray, Sewell. Second row: Griffin, Dodson, Brooks, Winter, Little, E. Pope, Kennedy, Cobb, Payne, Johnston, Weaver. Third row: Thieson, Beckwith, Turk, Smith, Hubbard, Pantaze, Schlant, Davis, Ridley, Witt, Ryckley. Fourth row: R. L. Doyal (head coach), Bill Orgain (assistant coach), Odum, Weathers, Harrison, Swanson, Skelton, Mgrs. Bond and Nunez.

**B**OYS' High of Atlanta, Russell High of East Point, and Americus High ruled the roost in Georgia high school football circles for the good year—or was it?—1944.

Coach Shorty Doyal's Boys' High Purple Hurricane not only won their fifth G. I. A. A. championship in six years but captured the Southern championship by virtue of an unbeaten season which included victories over perhaps the three best high school teams in Florida—Miami High, unbeaten except by Boys' High and defenders of the Southern diadem, Miami Edison and Lee High of Jacksonville.

Coach R. L. Bowen's Russell Wildcats took down top honors in the North Georgia Interscholastic Conference, strong class B high school loop, by finishing unbeaten but tied by unbeaten but twice tied Decatur Boys' High, perennial runner-up and hard luck champions tutored by big Bill Badgett.

Coach Jack Finklea guided Americus High to its first state class B championship. The South Georgians copped the rag in the South Georgia Football Association and then won a thrilling playoff game with La-

Grange High, 25 to 18, the Grangers having taken high honors in the North Georgia Football Association. The playoff game was held at Albany.

Boys' High's path to the Georgia Interscholastic Athletic Association crown was far from rose-strewn. The Purples were barely able to eke out a 13-13 tie with Atlanta Tech High when a last-minute touchdown pass clicked, and the following week smashed previously unbeaten Lanier High of Macon, 14 to 6, in Atlanta, to clinch the diadem. The Purples rolled up 359 points to 26 for their foes in eight starts in the association and tallied 58 more against the three Florida elevens who had all goose-eggs on the score board.

Boys' High failed to boast the leading association scorer for the first time in many years when Louis (Pee Wee) Wanninger, of Lanier, grabbed the honors with 102 points tallied. Jack Peek, of Tech High, ran second for the second straight year with 68.

The Purples, however, had four of the first nine scorers in the league, and landed five players on the Coaches' All-G. I. A. A. team and

three on the writers' All-G. I. A. A. George Brodnax, Buck Doyal, Tommy Pope, George Barrett and Ricardo Sewell were the Purples named to the Coaches' All-State team.

Brodnax, an end, and Pope, a guard, were named to the All-Southern squad which also embraced Tech High's Jack Peek, a back; Lanier High's Billy Henderson, a back; Russell High's Jerry Bowen, a back, and Americus High's Richard Lee, a halfback.

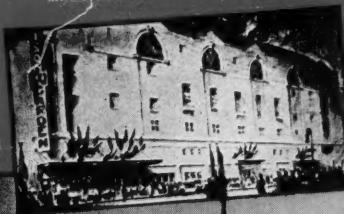
Russell High, with one of its finest teams in years, put five men on the All-N. G. I. C. team selected by the conference coaches and six on the Atlanta Constitution's All-City squad of 22 men, which also embraced five Decatur players. Russell and Decatur played a 12-12 tie and North Fulton also tied Decatur in deep mud to keep them from a chance at the title. Jerry Bowen, Russell's triple threat back, was the third son of the Russell coach to make an All-N. G. I. C. team.

Richard Lee proved his right to All-Southern rating by pitching three touchdown aeriels and scoring the other touchdown himself as his

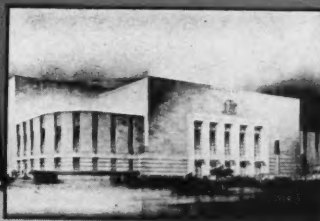
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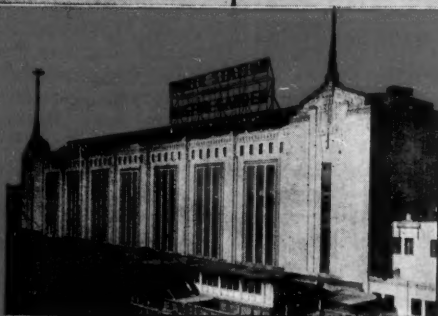


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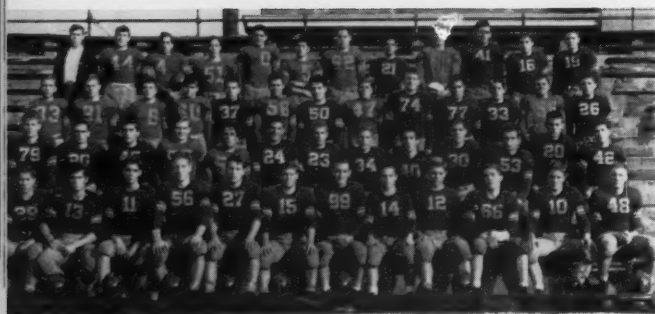
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# KENTUCKY

By KEN TAYLOR  
Assistant Sports Editor, Louisville Courier-Journal



**MALE HIGH SCHOOL**  
Coached by Paul Jenkins

**F**OUR Kentucky high school football players have won the honor of being named on two Courier-Journal All-State teams.

Wallace Jones of Harlan and Gene Detenber of St. Xavier, ends; George Claiborne of Hopkinsville, a tackle, and Will Rogers of Paducah, a guard, were among the first team members for the second year in succession.

Nine of the Commonwealth's 82 teams put men on the honor squad, with Louisville Male taking three places and Harlan, St. Xavier, Hopkinsville, Danville, Paducah, Manual, Middlesboro and Lexington taking the other spots.

The nine outfits won 65 games, lost 14 and tied 4, with six of them losing only one game each, two dropping only two and one falling in only three. The winning percentage for the nine was .833.

Hopkinsville's record was 9-1, Harlan, Middlesboro and Manual had 8-1, Male 7-1, Lexington 6-1, Paducah 7-2, Danville 6-2, and St. Xavier 6-3. Harlan, Male, Danville and Manual each played two.

Jones and Pat McNeil of Manual shared the distinction of gaining the most support this year, with Bert Aton of Male being only one vote behind. Rogers was next, only one vote ahead of Claiborne and Dick Vennahme and Mutt McDermott of Male.

The team this year is heavier, taller, older and more experienced than the All-State of 1943. It averages 181 pounds, stands a trifle taller than six feet, is a little older than 17 and has just a trifle under three years' experience in high school competition.

The honor of selecting the greater number of boys who made the All-

State again went to Frank Camp, coach at Henderson. He had nine of the first team. John McGill of Ashland was the leading sports writer picker. Reed Miller, Louisville, led the officials. He voted for only nine

**MANUAL HIGH SCHOOL**  
Coached by Ray Baer

Above: Male High and Manual High, Louisville, rated first and second, respectively, by Litenhous rating system.

men, but eight of them made the first team.

## THE 1944 ALL-STATE

| Player, position, and school—          | Wt. | Ht.  | Age | Cl. | Sq. |
|----------------------------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Wallace Jones, end, Harlan             | 201 | 6-6  | 18  | Sr. | 3   |
| Gene Detenber, end, St. Xavier         | 165 | 5-11 | 18  | Sr. | 3   |
| Bert Aton, tackle, Male                | 196 | 6-3  | 17  | Sr. | 2   |
| George Claiborne, tackle, Hopkinsville | 190 | 6-2  | 18  | Sr. | 3   |
| Will Rogers, guard, Paducah            | 175 | 6-1  | 17  | Sr. | 3   |
| Jim Volner, guard, Danville            | 175 | 5-9  | 17  | Sr. | 4   |
| Dick Vonnahme, center, Male            | 192 | 6-1  | 17  | Sr. | 2   |
| Pat McNeil, back, Manual               | 165 | 6-0  | 17  | Sr. | 3   |
| Mutt McDermott, back, Male             | 165 | 5-7  | 18  | Sr. | 3   |
| Jack Carey, back, Middlesboro          | 190 | 5-11 | 17  | Sr. | 2   |
| Jim Hibbard, back, Lexington           | 185 | 6-0  | 17  | So. | 2   |

## SECOND TEAM

E. Ralph Cooper, Paducah  
E. Leonard Manley, Ashland  
T. King Rice, Harlan  
T. Ed Dunn, Corbin  
G. J. McWhorter, Ashland  
G. Gene Davidson, Manual  
C. Bill Ausmus, Middlesboro  
B. Joe Brummitt, Danville  
B. T. Covington, Murray  
B. J. Claiborne, Hopkinsville  
B. Don Jones, Covington

## THIRD TEAM

E. Jimmie Cox, Versailles  
E. Corky Kirtley, Paintsville  
T. K. Rogers, Frankfort  
T. Junior Rogers, Mayfield  
G. Ray Roach, Owensboro  
G. Augie Kaufman, St. Xavier  
C. Bill Reynolds, Somerset  
B. Ray Flener, Owensboro  
B. Tony Dallas, Paducah  
B. Bill Slusher, Russell  
B. Clayton Powers, Frankfort

## HONORABLE MENTION

### Ends

Dot Collins, Catlettsburg; James Hughes, Danville; Bob Johnson, Lexington; Ernie Lane, Bellevue; Ed Mudd, Male; Joe Pendleton, Jenkins; Ed Perry, Fleming; Ray Preston, Pikeville; Bill Ray, Owensboro; Eddie Shroat, Murray; Jim Sullivan, Dayton; Gus Van Sant, Mayfield; David Wallace, Georgetown; T. J. Wright, Manual.

### Tackles

Hugh Callihan, Ashland; Bob Doyle, Covington; Dick Falk, Ashland; Bob McFarlan, Highlands; J. Ritter, Dayton; Harry Weining, Manual.

### Guards

Bobo Davenport, Bowling Green; Ray Frazier, Belfry; Ralph Goff, Pikeville; Jerry Harmon, Madison-

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# FLORIDA

By ARNOLD FINNEFROCK

## Big Ten Conference

**A**LTHOUGH Boy's High of Atlanta took the Southern schoolboy championship from them, Coach Tom Moor's Miami Senior High Stingarees generally were considered the No. 1 scholastic football team in Florida for the 1944 season.

Coach Crockett Farnell's Hillsborough Terriers of Tampa, who won the Big Ten Conference championship, and others, possibly, challenge the Stingarees' right to that distinction.

The Stingarees played only four Florida rivals — Miami Andrew Jackson, Robert E. Lee of Jacksonville, Leon of Tallahassee, and Miami Edison—but beat three of them decisively and won 20-12 from Edison.

Hillsborough, playing entirely within the state, chalked up 11 victories in as many starts, nine of the games being with Big Ten rivals.

Official Dickinson System Ratings of the Big Ten teams are not available for this edition of Southern Coach and Athlete but there it no doubt of Hillsborough's victory, the second in three years for Coach Farnell.

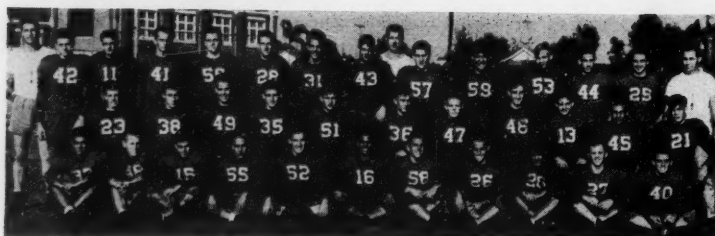
Final won and lost records showing points for and against, in loop play only, follow:

|                    | W | L | PF  | PA  |
|--------------------|---|---|-----|-----|
| Hillsborough       | 9 | 0 | 224 | 13  |
| x—St. Petersburg   | 6 | 1 | 167 | 98  |
| x—Landon           | 6 | 2 | 151 | 78  |
| x—Jaxville Jackson | 4 | 2 | 125 | 58  |
| Edison             | 4 | 2 | 83  | 39  |
| Plant City         | 4 | 2 | 73  | 35  |
| Lakeland           | 3 | 3 | 85  | 79  |
| x—Lee              | 2 | 3 | 53  | 48  |
| Plant              | 3 | 5 | 66  | 76  |
| Jefferson          | 3 | 5 | 65  | 130 |
| Palm Beach         | 1 | 3 | 38  | 67  |
| Miami Jackson      | 0 | 4 | 13  | 122 |
| Clearwater         | 0 | 5 | 52  | 173 |
| Orlando            | 0 | 8 | 6   | 159 |
| x—Played tie game. |   |   |     |     |

## Northeast Florida Conference

Mainland High of Daytona Beach, coached by Spike Welshinger, won the Northeast Conference Championship. The Bucs played a 19-19 tie with Gainesville but succeeded in upsetting Leon High in Tallahassee, 13-7.

It marked the second time in three years that the Bucs have won the loop football crown.



HILLSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SQUAD, TAMPA, FLA.

1944 "BIG TEN" CHAMPIONS

Coached by Crockett Farnell

First row, left to right: Tony Garcia, Bill Johnson, Harold Griffin, Gene Caberera, Clarence Hensley, Frank Garcia, Rene Gonzalez, Norman Pettigrew, Angus Williams, Glenn Anderson, R. J. Gould. Second row: L. J. Touchton, Louis Salario, Horace Stansel, Jackie Menendez, John Banks, Billy McAdams, Gene O'Berry, Rene Alvarez, Alvin Casey, Angelo Pullara, Jack St. Amant. Standing: Coach Crockett Farnell (head coach), Hunter Armentrout, Dan Carriera, Roger McKenney, Bob Finger, Herbert Hall, Evelio Rio, Ray Jackson, Jesse Kenne (end coach), Cecil Perrette, Eddie Diaz, Billy Bryant, Billy Seagers, Weldon Wright, Earl Hatcher (line coach).



MAINLAND HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SQUAD, DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.—1944 NORTHEAST FLORIDA CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

Coached by Spike Welshinger

Front row, left to right: Everett, Fromberger, Merryday, Waterboy Bobby Wren, Mgr. Zumstein, Waterboy Bobby Fretwell, Miller, T. Bozeman, R. Bozeman, Wintz, Humphries. Second row: Reeder, Tucker, Eicholz, Hollifield, Johnson, Dunn, Doerr, Donaldson, Yelvington, Pumphrey, Moore. Third row: Pafford, Olson, McClelland, Long, Northrup, Scholz, Randolph, Hoffman, Kaster, Kelly, Mullis. Fourth row: Fretwell, Schlotterlein, Rawlins, Brown, Wynn, Northrup, Smith, Shiles, Platt, Hughes, Kuhr, Morris. Top row: Coach Welshinger, Carroll, Smith, Maugle, Gunter, Sims, Bevan, Ogerle, Cooley, Boehme, Hogan, Assistant Coach Walker.

Although finishing third, Coach Buster Bishop's Gainesville eleven took team scoring honors for the second straight year, the Hurricane rolling up 234 points in nine games to 65 for the opposition.

The final standings of 1944:

|             | W | L | T | Pts.  |
|-------------|---|---|---|-------|
| Daytona     | 3 | 0 | 1 | 23.13 |
| Tallahassee | 4 | 1 | 0 | 21.25 |
| Gainesville | 4 | 1 | 1 | 19.38 |
| Lake City   | 3 | 3 | 0 | 12.50 |
| Ocala       | 1 | 4 | 1 | 10.00 |
| Live Oak    | 0 | 4 | 1 | 10.00 |

Teams were ranked on a basis of their best four games under the

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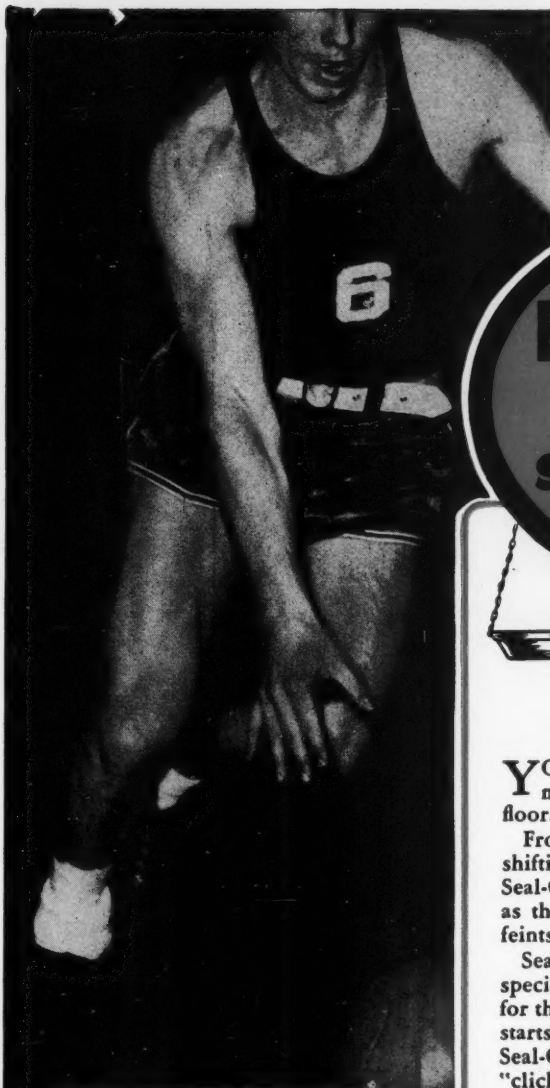
## State Catholic Title

The Jesuit Tigers of Tampa, among the top teams in the South Florida Conference, won the State Catholic title, crushing St. Ann's of West Palm Beach, 54-0. Perry Rugby is coach of the Tigers.

## West Florida

Out in West Florida, Coach Ernie Priest's Pensacola High eleven enjoyed a great season. The Tigers suffered only one defeat, a 6-7 loss





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## East Central Florida Conference

Unbeaten in four loop games and having a Dickinson System rating of 22.5 points, Leesburg has been declared the first football champion of the one-year-old East Central Florida Conference, it was announced by John M. Johnston, Eustis coach and secretary-treasurer of the circuit.

At a meeting in DeLand, the coaches voted to play a conference basketball tournament February 16-17 at Seabreeze.

Henceforth teams must play at least five intra-conference games to be eligible for the football championship. In cases where two teams play each other twice during a season only the first game shall count in determining the conference standing.

Final won and lost records and Dickinson System ratings of the football teams follow:

|                     | W | L | Pct. |
|---------------------|---|---|------|
| Leesburg .....      | 4 | 0 | 22.5 |
| Bolles .....        | 4 | 1 | 21.0 |
| Seabreeze .....     | 4 | 2 | 21.6 |
| New Smyrna .....    | 5 | 2 | 21.4 |
| St. Augustine ..... | 3 | 1 | 18.7 |
| DeLand .....        | 3 | 4 | 17.1 |
| Sanford .....       | 1 | 5 | 15.0 |
| Palatka .....       | 0 | 4 | 13.7 |
| Eustis .....        | 0 | 5 | 13.0 |

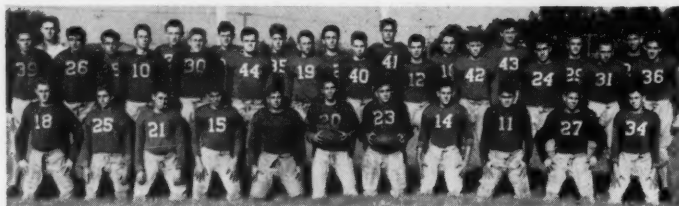
## Ridge Conference

Fort Meade's Miners won the Ridge Conference championship with a Dickinson System rating of 22.5 points. Lake Wales, with 21 points, finished second.

Point totals of the other teams were Mulberry 19.5, Sebring 19, Kissimmee 16.5, Avon Park 15, Haines City and Auburndale 14 each, Frostproof 13, and Kathleen 12.

Paul Alfieri, who is serving his second year as Fort Meade Coach, is a former Hillsborough (Tampa) and Tampa U. guard. In 1938 he won the State A.A.U. heavyweight boxing crown.

The victory was Fort Meade's second in three years. The Miners won six conference games, tied one, and lost none. They won two of three non-conference tilts. In 10 games, they scored 152 points against 40 for the opposition.



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Coached by Art Steffen

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FORT MEADE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SQUAD—1944 FLORIDA RIDGE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

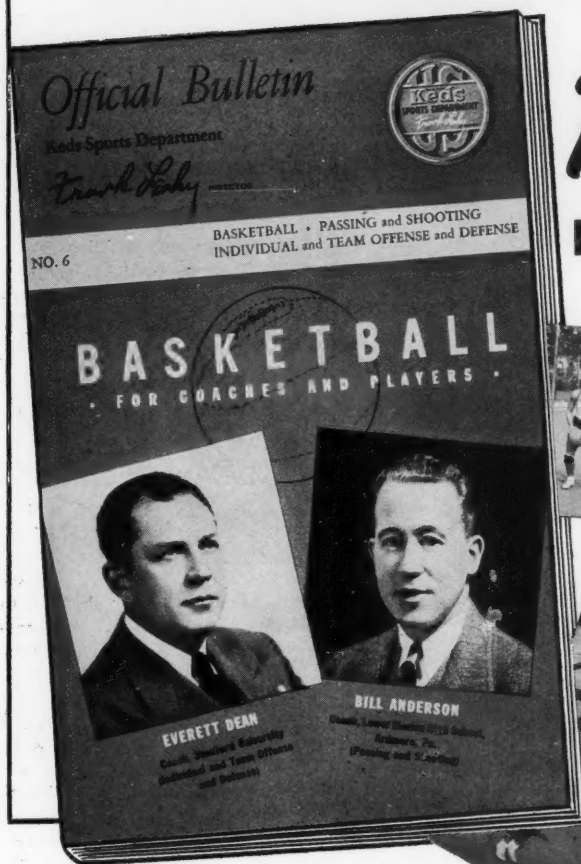
Coached by Paul Alfieri

Front row, left to right: Mgr. Slay, Joiner, Stokes, Atwell, Arnold, Mgr. Cribbs. Second row: Robinson, Curry, Arnold, Langston, McLean, Compton, Adams, Cox. Back row: Brown, Hattaway, Cliett, McPherson, Coach Paul Alfieri, Bryan, Warrish, Byrd, Maddox.

In selecting the mythical star squad, "A" teams were allowed four places to two for the "Bs," making a total of 28 players. The mythical team:

Backs—Buddy Wise and William Cason, Sebring; Bob Mincy and Albert Jones, Lake Wales; Paul McDonald and Kenneth Durrance, Mulberry; Mack Bryan, Fort Meade;

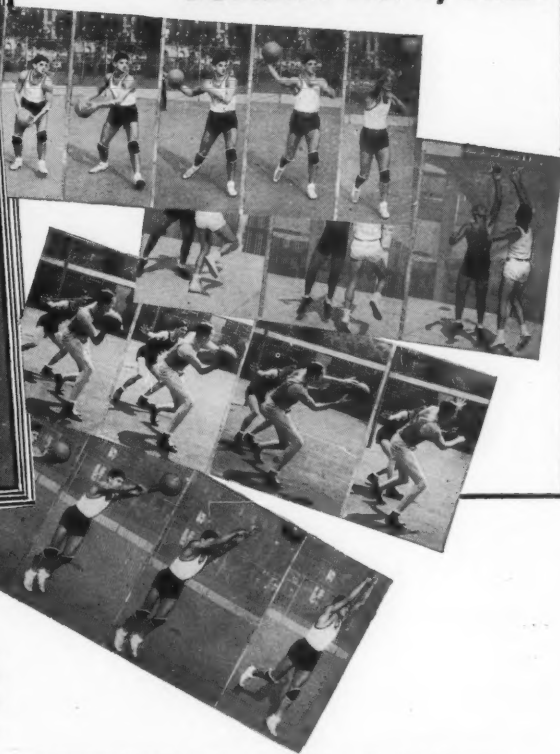
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Fred Montsdeoca, Avon Park; Earlo Tanner, Kissimmee; Eddie McDowell, Auburndale; Leroy Combee, Kathleen; Marvin Smoot, Haines City, and D. C. Walden, Frostproof.

Linemen—Willie Maddox, Raymond Byrd and Jimmy Cliett, Fort Meade; Maurice O'Brien and Jack Jones, Mulberry; Francis Twitty and Lloyd Morgan, Sebring; Landon Hall and Jason Stanland, Lake Wales; Earl Ryals, Auburndale; Ralph Miller, Kissimmee; Sonny Hagan, Avon Park; Irving Wheeler, Kathleen; Richard Hall, Haines City, and Harley Metheney, Frostproof.

## Imperial Conference

With four wins and no losses in league play, Winter Haven won Imperial Conference grid title. Won and lost records of the teams with their Dickinson rating follow:

|                    | W | L | T | Rank  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|-------|
| Winter Haven . . . | 4 | 0 |   | 25    |
| Fort Meade . . .   | 4 | 1 | 1 | 24.37 |
| Lake Wales . . .   | 4 | 2 |   | 20    |
| Mulberry . . .     | 3 | 2 | 1 | 16.87 |
| Bartow . . .       | 1 | 2 |   | 16.87 |
| Haines City . . .  | 2 | 4 |   | 10    |
| Auburndale . . .   | 1 | 4 |   | 10    |
| Kathleen . . .     | 0 | 4 |   | 10    |

James Mills, of Bartow, and R. Harman, of Winter Haven, were named as co-captains of the all-conference squad of the Imperial conference.

Others selected, with the teams they represent and the number of

votes received, were listed as follows:

Line players: R. Harman, Winter Haven, 7; P. McCarey, Bartow, 6; J. Smith, Bartow, 6; C. McNair, Haines City, 6; E. Hobbs, Lake Wales, 6; J. Jones, Mulberry, 5; B. Walker, Winter Haven, 5; B. Boswell, Bartow, 5; B. Ewing, Bartow, 5; J. Cliatt, Fort Meade, 5; L. Hall, Lake Wales, 6; E. Ryals, Auburndale, 4; B. Bentley, Winter Haven, 4; I. Wheeler, Kathleen, 4; R. Byrd, Fort Meade, 4; W. Maddox, Ft. Meade, 4.

Backfield players: J. Mills, Bartow, 7; M. Bryan, Fort Meade, 6; B. Mincey, Lake Wales, 6; J. R. Roden, Winter Haven, 5; P. McDonald, Mulberry, 4; M. Smart, Haines City, 4; C. Weeks, Winter Haven, 4; L. Combee, Kathleen, 3; A. Jones, Lake Wales, 3; B. Smoak, Haines City, 3.

## Florida West Coast Conference

Gulf High's Buccaneers of New Port Richey won the West Coast Conference football championship, nosing out Wildwood High under the Dickinson System.

Gulf High defeated two first division teams and lost a game to Bushnell, another first division eleven, but defeated all of its second flight opponents.

Final tabulations gave Gulf a rating of 23.5 to Wildwood's 22.6. Bushnell finished third with 21.2.

Conference standings at the finish of the season:

|                       | W | L | T |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|
| New Port Richey . . . | 5 | 1 | 0 |
| Wildwood . . .        | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Bushnell . . .        | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| Webster . . .         | 4 | 3 | 0 |
| Brooksville . . .     | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| Dade City . . .       | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Inverness . . .       | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Zephyrhills . . .     | 0 | 7 | 0 |

The all-conference teams:

First team—Lowman, Brooksville, and W. Graves, Bushnell, ends; H. Kingsley, Gulf high, and J. Richard, Dade City, tackles; C. Watson, Wildwood, and Ben Hewett, Webster, guards; M. Dudley, Wildwood, center; J. Butler, Gulf high, J. Perry, Wildwood, R. Story Webster, and D. Coleman, Bushnell, backs.

The second team was composed of D. Zuber, Gulf High, and J. Hurst, ends; Q. Leigh, Wildwood, and C. Parker, Inverness, tackles; F. Morgan, Gulf High, and B. Sellers, Bushnell, guards; J. Wilson, Webster, center; the backs were J. Morgan, Hernando, T. Henricks, Inverness, D. Nelson, Bushnell, and L. Maness, Dade City.

Those receiving honorable mention were D. Swartzel and E. Swartzel, Gulf High; Rutherford, Wildwood; C. Ramsey, G. Kinneer and A. Vern, Hernando; W. Rowe, Bushnell; J. Farmer, Webster; F. Sherman, Wildwood; R. Smith, Bushnell; W. Brewton, Dade City; and G. Arnot, Zephyrhills.

The conference recognized the Zephyrhills team as having played in a most sportsmanlike and plucky manner throughout the season. The conference commended the Zephyrhills team and the coach for their efforts.

## Central Florida Conference

Winter Garden took over top-honors in the 1944 Central Florida Conference football race. Umatilla, which had the same won and lost record as Winter Garden but had suffered its only loss to the team, finished second. Tavares and Winter Park shared third place under the Dickinson System, while Ocoee, St. Cloud, Clermont, Mount Dora, Apopka, and Groveland finished next in that order. Lyman didn't have a football team.



An honorary all-conference football squad was chosen by the coaches. It follows:

**Backs**—Buddy Lowe, St. Cloud; Edgar Lucas and Rex Land, Umatilla; Mallard Clark and Thomas Russ, Winter Garden; Edward Burney, Winter Park; Donald Vandegrift, Ocoee, and Herbert Paul, Tavares.

**Linemen**—Davis Parker and Eph Wygul, Umatilla; George Revels and Eugene Farmer, Tavares; Henry Smith, Apopka; James Osteen and Dan La Fever, Winter Park; Charles Javens, Mount Dora; Bully Weeks and Herman Voss, Ocoee; Donald De Pew, St. Cloud, and Albert Walker, Thurmon Tucker and Hilton Teal, Winter Garden.

The conference has voted to raise back up to five the number of loop games a team must play to be eligible for the grid title. The 1945 conference basketball tournament will be played at Mount Dora February 14-16.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were W. E. Rice, Apopka, president; Jennings Rou, Tavares, first vice president; D. D. Roseborough, Mount Dora, second vice president, and Earl Pearson Umatilla, secretary-treasurer.

Major news in Florida interscholastic athletic circles was furnished in late December by the withdrawal of the nine largest members from the so-called Big Ten Conference.

Schools dropping out were Robert E. Lee, Landon, and Andrew Jackson of Jacksonville; Hillsborough, Plant, and Jefferson of Tampa, St. Petersburg, Miami Edison, Orlando, and Orlando.

This group retained the same officers of the old league, Pres. Crockett Farnell of Hillsborough, Vice President Jack Smith of Jackson, and Secretary Whitey McClucas of Lee.

The seceding schools voted to stage a basketball tournament in Jacksonville February 15-17.

Two of the old members of the conference, Palm Beach and Miami Andrew Jackson, have since joined a league, known as the Gulfstream Conference, which is composed also of Lake Worth, Fort Lauderdale, Miami Beach and Ponce de Leon of Coral Gables.

Officers of this new circuit are George McCampbell, Palm Beach, president; Benny Goodell, Lake Worth, vice president, and Clois



LAKEVIEW HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SQUAD, WINTER GARDEN, FLA.—1944 CENTRAL FLORIDA CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

Coached by J. M. Lanier

Left to right, first row: Spears, Hudson, Graham, Welch, Taylor, Teal, Walker, Tucker, Godwin, Clark. Middle row: Cauley, J. Kannon, R. Kannon, H. Crawford, Fleming, Russ, Tisdale, Ross, Sadler. Top row: Assistant Coach J. O. Eddy, Mgr. Borysewich, O. Crawford, H. Borysewich, Beke-meyer, Burch, Desin, Jones, Stanford, Coach J. M. Lanier.

Caldwell, Fort Lauderdale, secretary-treasurer.

This conference voted to play a basketball tournament March 8-10 at Fort Lauderdale.

Conjecture is that Clearwater, Plant City, and Lakeland, other former Big Ten members, will sign up with the Northeast Conference.

The District Class B and the Regional Class A basketball tournaments will be played March 1-3, while the two state tourneys will be played March 15-17.

## South Florida Conference

Fort Myers (although Jesuit of Tampa and Winter Haven had the same Dickinson Rating as the Green Wave) was awarded the South Florida Conference football championship for 1944.

Acting Principal E. B. Henderson, Fort Myers, president, and Principal Bill Davis, Bradenton, vice president. Vernon E. Dozier, Bartow, only league official who has served since the conference was organized in 1930 was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Dates for basketball and boxing tournaments were set, with the cage meeting going to Sarasota on Feb. 22-24 and the boxing meet to Arcadia, Feb. 9-10.

An application for membership by Florida Military Academy, St. Petersburg, was tabled.

The conference announced its all-star team selected by sports writers and coaches as follows:

Ends, Middleton of Fort Myers

and Ogle of Bradenton; tackles, Dorta of Jesuit and Boyette of Fort Myers; guards, Skipper of Arcadia and Smith of Bartow; center, Ewing of Bartow; backs, Puglisi of Jesuit, Mills of Bartow, House of Fort Myers and Rhoden of Winter Haven. Middleton and Puglisi received the highest votes and were named captain and alternate captain respectively.

The second team is composed of: Ends, Patterson of Winter Haven and Page of Wauchula; tackles, Boswell of Bartow and Walker of Winter Haven; guards, Harmon of Winter Haven and Torres of Jesuit; center, Rubio of Jesuit and Snyder of Palmetto (tied); backs, Campbell of Fort Myers, J. Scott of Bradenton, Combs of Arcadia and Mahoney of Punta Gorda.

Final ratings according to the Dickinson System, follow:

| Team         | Index No. |
|--------------|-----------|
| Fort Myers   | 23        |
| Jesuit       | 23        |
| Winter Haven | 23        |
| Bartow       | 20        |
| Bradenton    | 19        |
| Arcadia      | 12        |
| Palmetto     | 12        |
| Wauchula     | 12        |
| Sarasota     | 11        |
| Punta Gorda  | 10        |

Stokes Smith, 190-lb. Pahokee Blue Devil fullback, was given a position on the Indian Riven 1944 All-Conference first team in a recent vote of the coaches of the various schools making up the conference. Smith was placed at right tackle, a defensive position he held

down in some of the games this season.

Three other Blue Devil players—Milton Salvatore, Billy Bridges

and Donald Harrington—were chosen on the All-Conference Second team.

The two teams selected follow:

| First Team        | Pos. | Second Team          |
|-------------------|------|----------------------|
| Buckingham (VB)   | LE   | Salvatore (Pahokee)  |
| Beagles (FP)      | LT   | Harrell (Cocoa)      |
| Tucker (Stuart)   | LG   | Wilson (FP)          |
| Hinton (VB)       | C    | Dixon (FP)           |
| Tidwell (FP)      | RG   | Chandler (O'bee)     |
| Smith (Pahokee)   | RT   | Griffin (Stuart)     |
| Peterson (FP)     | RE   | Enns (FP)            |
| Shipes (Stuart)   | QB   | Carlisle (Tit'ville) |
| Reeser (VB)       | LH   | Bridges (Pahokee)    |
| Scharfocheur (FP) | RH   | Harrington (Pahokee) |
| King (FP)         | FB   | Lutz (B. Glade)      |

## Florida All-State

The 1944 All-State Florida High School football team, designated by the votes of sports writers and

coaches and announced by the Florida Times-Union (Jacksonville), follows:

| Weight                  | Class  | School               |
|-------------------------|--------|----------------------|
| Sam Butz, Jr., end      | Senior | Robert E. Lee (Jax)  |
| Horace Stansel, tackle  | Senior | Hillsborough (Tampa) |
| Horace Drew, guard      | Senior | Robert E. Lee (Jax)  |
| Doug Malsberger, center | Senior | Leon (Tallahassee)   |
| Joe Blair, guard        | Junior | Miami Edison         |
| Gerald Vick, tackle     | Senior | Miami Senior High    |
| Joe Burnett, end        | Senior | Landon (Jax)         |
| Pete Williams, back     | Senior | Miami Senior High    |
| Ray Jackson, back       | Senior | Hillsborough (Tampa) |
| Kenneth Horton, back    | Senior | St. Petersburg       |
| Fred Marjenhoff, back   | Senior | Landon (Jax)         |

### Second Team

Ends—Sid Vaughn, 165, St. Petersburg, and Ernest (Boney) Middleton, 160, Fort Myers.

Tackles—Jim Hendricks, 185, Fort Lauderdale, and Cliff McKendree, 178, Robert E. Lee (Jacksonville).

Guards—John Montgomery, 185, Miami Senior High, and Tom Ken-

nedy, 190, Pensacola.

Center—Billy Renfrow, 172, Andrew Jackson (Jax).

Backs—Loren Broadus, 160, Andrew Jackson (Jax); Freddie Rozelle, 179, Columbia (Lake City); Jimmy Olson, 175, Mainland (Daytona Beach); Joe Eckart, 158, Hillsborough (Tampa).

## Florida All-Southern

Florida prep gridders chosen for the All-Southern were Halfback Pete Williams, Miami Senior; Center Doug Malsberger, Leon of Tallahassee; Fullback Ray Jackson, Hills-

borough; End Sam Butz Jr., Robert E. Lee (Jacksonville); Halfback Fred Marjenhoff, Landon (Jacksonville), and Fullback Freddie Rozelle, Columbia (Lake City).

## Little All-State

Woodrow Thompson of The Miami Herald, realizing that boys on the small teams seldom have a chance to make the All-State eleven, conceived the idea this season of selecting a Little All-State.

First team results of the balloting by coaches and sports writers were:

Ends, George Everett, Mainland, Daytona Beach, and Boney Middleton, Fort Myers; tackles, Jim Hendricks, Fort Lauderdale, and Oscar Dorta, Jesuit, Tampa; guards, Jake Tidwell, Fort Pierce, and Bruce Martin, Gainesville; center, Doug Malsberger, Leon, Tallahassee; quarterback, Jack Brasington, Ponce de Leon, Coral Gables; halfbacks, Joe Michael, Ocala, and Buddy Lowe, St. Cloud; fullback, Jimmy Mills, Bartow.

Second team designations were: Ends, Ronald Nettles, Leon, Tallahassee, and Fred Gahr, Ponce de Leon of Coral Gables; tackles, Herman (Foots) Brumley, Sanford, and Aubrey Rogers, Fort Myers; guards, Gus Gardner, Bolles, Jacksonville, and Jerry Blank, Miami Beach; center, Ernest Rubie, Jesuit, Tampa; quarterback, Freddy Rozelle, Lake City; halfbacks, Jimmy Olson, Daytona Beach, and Frank Puglisi, Jesuit, Tampa; fullback, Wallace Lutz, Belle Glade.

Third team spots went to: Ends, Doyle Ogle, Bradenton, and Bill Kratzert, Leon, Tallahassee; tackles, Bob Harmon, Winter Haven, and Lou Peters, Miami Beach; guards, Red O'Steen, Winter Park, and Jimmy Cliet, Fort Meade; center, Bob Barada, Fort Lauderdale; quarterback, Lynn Hotchkiss, Lake Worth; halfbacks, Walter Foy, Kettelinus, St. Augustine, and Lee Scruggs, Gainesville; fullback, Fred Hogan, Daytona Beach.

Near-greats listed by the Herald were: Backs, Maxwell King, Fort Pierce; Roland Hodges and Billy Joe Leavitt, Fort Lauderdale; Soup Campbell and Morgan House, Fort Myers; George Combs, Arcadia; Billy Hagan, St. Ann's, West Palm Beach; Duck Cawthon, Gainesville; Mallark Clark, Winter Garden; Freddie Rozelle, Lake City; Buddy Wise, Sebring; Don Vandergrift, Ocoee; Lowell Gray, Cocoa; Johnny Scott, Bradenton; Johnny Grappo, Gesu, Miami; Herbie Rich and Spaf Taylor, Miami Beach; and Charles Broadway, Leesburg.

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## TEACHING MAN-TO-MAN DEFENSE

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and closer as the latter gets nearer to the basket.

Possibly the most common mistake of the guard, in first learning individual defense, is following the path of the ball with his eyes as his opponent passes, and therefore losing sight of his own man as the latter breaks. The guard must keep his opponent within his range of vision at all times, even at the expense of losing sight of the ball. He must never turn his back on his opponent, not for an instant, or he will lose his "position" on him. When his man passes and breaks, the guard breaks with him, keeping "his nose pointed toward him" always. After the sudden break, then the guard attempts to maneuver into a position so that he can keep his own man definitely in his range of vision and also, if possible, get the ball within range. The range of vision, the peripheral vision, of some players, that is, their ability to see well in a rather large arc, is much greater than others. It is undoubtedly a natural characteristic. Some boys can "see" the whole field of play, both on offense and defense, to an extraordinary degree. A forward passer, in football, must have this gift. It is very difficult to develop greater range of vision.

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A defensive man has three things to look out for and be able to "see",

at all times if possible: his own opponent, the ball, and a possible screening post. He has a lot of looking to do and only two eyes with which to look.

Possibly the most difficult thing in basketball for a coach to do in developing his team and for an individual player to do as he is blossoming into a regular and into a star performer is to maintain the proper balance between defense and offense. A good defensive guard or forward, as he develops into an offensive star, practically always allows his defense to weaken as he begins to score more readily. Most players usually are either too defensive minded or too offensive minded, more often the latter. I believe one of the most valuable contributions a coach can make to an individual player, especially after the preliminary training and as the team develops into mid-season form, is to aid in judging and maintaining

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# THE 1944 ALL MID-SOUTH FOOTBALL TEAM

By C. M. S. McILWAINE, Secretary

**B**AYLOR and McCallie dominated the tenth annual all-Mid-South football team selected by the coaches with three men each and, due to ties for one tackle berth and the fourth backfield spot, nine of the thirteen schools participating in the grid sport are represented. In addition, a tenth school is represented on the second team, the widest distribution since the selection was started a decade ago.

For the first time a lineman was at the top in the balloting with Elliott Blaydes, McCallie guard tying with his teammate, Harry Draper, Blue quarterback, with 23 out of a possible 26 votes. Two Baylor players were right on their heels in the balloting, Gordon Pettus with 22 and Boyd Jacoway with 20 votes. The all-Mid-South is selected by a composite vote of the coaches, counting two points for selection on the first team, and one point for selection on the second.

In all, twenty-five players were selected on the two teams, Baylor placing six men, followed by McCallie with four and C.M.A. and Darlington with three each. The powerful Baylor eleven won four association games while rounding out their ten game schedule unbeaten to close out a five year span with only one defeat. B. G. A. had a fine season also, winning all three of their Mid-South starts with two other teams finishing above the .500 mark, McCallie with seven wins and one loss, and T.M.I. with four victories and one defeat.

Oddities of the season include the fact that there were no tie games in the Mid-South until the final day of the season when Riverside and G.M.A. tied 7 to 7; that Castle Heights, undefeated last year, had to go to their last game to win their only victory of the season, although barely being nosed out in three games by six points or less; that S.M.A. after upsetting McCallie for the Blue's only loss in their first Mid-South game, failed to win another loop contest.

Some of the teams playing fewer games unquestionably had good players, but their men were handicapped in the voting by the fact that few coaches had seen them in action. The 1944 all-Mid-South team averages 178 pounds in the line and 166 in the backfield, and is unusual in having four juniors selected. Two others are young enough to have

(The figures in parentheses indicate number of votes received by each player, counting 2 for a first team selection and 1 for second team.)

| Player          | Pos.        | School     | Age | Wt. | Class | Home               |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|-----|-----|-------|--------------------|
| John Moulton    | End (19)    | Darlington | 16  | 165 | Sr.   | Rome, Ga.          |
| Maurice Acree   | End (12)    | Baylor     | 16  | 155 | Jr.   | Macon, Ga.         |
| Boyd Jacoway    | Tackle (20) | Baylor     | 17  | 180 | Sr.   | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| Clyde Reese     | Tackle (15) | S.M.A.     | 17  | 185 | Sr.   | Jacksonville, Fla. |
| Don Tanner      | Tackle (15) | C. Heights | 17  | 215 | Sr.   | Willoughby, Ohio   |
| Elliott Blaydes | Guard (23)  | McCallie   | 17  | 175 | Sr.   | Bluefield, W. Va.  |
| Henderson King  | Guard (13)  | B.G.A.     | 17  | 160 | Sr.   | Leighton, Ala.     |
| Tommy Buttram   | Center (14) | McCallie   | 16  | 190 | Sr.   | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| Harry Draper    | Back (23)   | McCallie   | 17  | 150 | Sr.   | Princeton, W. Va.  |
| Gordon Pettus   | Back (22)   | Baylor     | 17  | 155 | Jr.   | Birmingham, Ala.   |
| David McCrary   | Back (17)   | T.M.I.     | 17  | 190 | Sr.   | Scottsboro, Ala.   |
| Joe Gribben     | Back (15)   | N. Dame    | 16  | 156 | Jr.   | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| Allison Webster | Back (15)   | C.M.A.     | 16  | 185 | Jr.   | Columbia, Tenn.    |

## Second Team

|                 |             |            |    |     |     |                    |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|----|-----|-----|--------------------|
| Rob McDonald    | End (10)    | S.M.A.     | 16 | 180 | Sr. | Nashville, Tenn.   |
| Douglas Watson  | End (10)    | C.M.A.     | 18 | 165 | Sr. | DuPont, Tenn.      |
| Elder Glenn     | Tackle (5)  | Darlington | 17 | 170 | Sr. | Chickamauga, Ga.   |
| John Pritchard  | Tackle (5)  | Darlington | 18 | 180 | Sr. | Charlotte, N. C.   |
| William Whitley | Tackle (5)  | G. M. A.   | 17 | 175 | Sr. | LaGrange, Ga.      |
| Bill Davis      | Guard (12)  | N. Dame    | 17 | 148 | Sr. | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| Clyde Hagan     | Guard (8)   | G. M. A.   | 16 | 190 | Sr. | Detroit, Mich.     |
| Paul Barcroft   | Center (10) | Baylor     | 17 | 185 | Sr. | Birmingham, Ala.   |
| Edgar Mallary   | Back (12)   | Baylor     | 18 | 155 | Sr. | Macon, Ga.         |
| Walter Hansen   | Back (8)    | C.M.A.     | 16 | 170 | Sr. | Memphis, Tenn.     |
| Don Ferguson    | Back (7)    | Baylor     | 17 | 150 | Sr. | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| Price Morrison  | Back (7)    | McCallie   | 17 | 172 | Sr. | Earle, Ark.        |

## Honorable Mention

Ends: Cook, B.G.A. (4); Evans, McCallie (4); Fanjoy, McCallie (4); Johnson, G.M.A. (3); Wood, S.M.A. (3); Perry, C. Heights (2); Scanlon, Riverside (2); Currin, Baylor (2); Gannaway, Baylor (1).

Tackles: Culbreath, Baylor (4); Jarrett, T.M.I. (3); Mayes, T.M.I. (3); Burt, S.M.A. (2).

Guards: Williams, Morgan (4); Bransford, Riverside (4); Brotherton, Baylor (2); Johnson, Darlington (1).

Centers: Cooksey, C. Heights (6); J. Davis, N. Dame (6); Tull, Darlington (4); Hastings, T.M.I. (3); Dorris, C.M.A. (1).

Backs: Cheatham, Darlington (5); Alexander, B.G.A. (4); Haehl, S.M.A. (3); Yankee, Darlington (3); Bell, Riverside (2); Ewing, G.M.A. (2); Fisher, Baylor (2); Peterson, G.M.A. (2); Chumley, T.M.I. (2); Hall, C.M.A. (2); Galbos, T.M.I. (1); Bolinger, Riverside (1); Spangler, B.G.A. (1).

## FINAL 1944 MID-SOUTH STANDINGS

|            | W | L | T | Pts. | Opp. Pts. | Pct.  |
|------------|---|---|---|------|-----------|-------|
| Baylor     | 4 | 0 | 0 | 154  | 13        | 1.000 |
| B. G. A.   | 3 | 0 | 0 | 58   | 12        | 1.000 |
| Riverside  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 45   | 13        | 1.000 |
| McCallie   | 7 | 1 | 0 | 143  | 32        | .875  |
| T. M. I.   | 4 | 1 | 0 | 98   | 38        | .800  |
| C. M. A.   | 2 | 2 | 0 | 51   | 82        | .500  |
| Darlington | 2 | 4 | 0 | 69   | 103       | .333  |
| G. M. A.   | 1 | 2 | 1 | 25   | 65        | .333  |
| N. Dame    | 1 | 3 | 0 | 19   | 92        | .250  |
| C. Heights | 1 | 4 | 0 | 26   | 58        | .200  |
| Morgan     | 1 | 4 | 0 | 6    | 62        | .200  |
| S. M. A.   | 1 | 5 | 0 | 24   | 75        | .167  |
| Duncan     | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6    | 79        | .000  |

another season of football ahead of them if they decide to return. Two are repeaters, Moulton of Darlington and Buttram of McCallie. The selection follows:

## ENDS

John Moulton of Darlington led the balloting for end because of his fine defensive play. He fulfilled the

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**KENTUCKY**

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ville; Charles King, Hopkinsville; Dock McCartt, Somerset; Harold Bradley, Raceland; Robert Gunning, Paintsville; Bob Marushri, Catlettsburg; Roger Neff, Highlands; Frank Raymond Myers, Manual; Bob Newport, Harlan; Doug Ramey, Hall; Elmer Reusch, Bellevue; Doug Robinson, Ashland; Virgil Staples, Owensboro; Billy Walker, Lexington.

**Centers**

Buddy Albright, Georgetown; Bert Bennett, Covington; Jack Davis, Lynn Camp; D. Fogel, Dixie Heights; Ed Kubale, Danville; Jim Sparks, Russell; T. D. Wade, Russell.

**Backs**

Mark Adams, Stanford; James Allen, Bowling Green; Danny Beam, Lexington; Ralph Beard, Male; Paul Blair, Pikeville; Metchel Bomich, Cumberland; C. T. Butler, Paintsville; Junior Cole, Hall; Bob DeMoss, Dayton; Dan Bowdle, Ormsby Village; Leon Duncan, Madison; Shirley Duncan, Highlands; Emmor Evans, Ashland; Jack Hahn, Somerset; Buddy Hoffman, Ashland; Jennings Hurt, Russell; Bill Johnson, Shelbyville; Paul Jones, Lynn Camp; Bob Leucke, Highlands; James Martin, Irvine; Jim Moeller, Bellevue; John O'Grady, Covington; Hal Phillips, Manual; Jim Pickens, Princeton; Jeep Quire, St. Xavier; Len Shouse, Lexington; Jack Simpson, Georgetown; Wilbur Smith, Raceland; Hal Taylor, Manual; Dick Tiepel, Dixie Heights; Lee Truman, Owensboro; Witt Langstaff, Paducah.

**Litkenhous Football Ratings for 1944 Season**

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| 1. Male High      | 100.0 |
| 2. Manual         | 97.3  |
| 3. Paducah        | 90.6  |
| 4. Hopkinsville   | 87.4  |
| 5. Ashland        | 85.9  |
| 6. Middlesboro    | 84.7  |
| 7. St. Xavier     | 84.0  |
| 8. Murray         | 79.9  |
| 9. Danville       | 79.2  |
| 10. Owensboro     | 77.6  |
| 11. Lexington     | 75.9  |
| 12. Highlands     | 71.8  |
| 13. Covington     | 71.6  |
| 14. Somerset      | 71.4  |
| 15. Madisonville  | 69.7  |
| 16. K. M. I.      | 68.7  |
| 17. Princeton     | 67.2  |
| 18. Corbin        | 66.1  |
| 19. Bowling Green | 65.5  |
| 20. Henderson     | 65.5  |
| 21. Harlan        | 64.9  |
| 22. Bellevue      | 64.7  |
| 23. Mayfield      | 60.9  |
| 24. Russell       | 60.1  |
| 25. Frankfort     | 59.4  |

**BALTIMORE 6-MAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

THE BOYS' LATIN SCHOOL—BALTIMORE, MD.  
Coached by C. J. O'Connor

Front row, left to right: Don Clausen, John Fales, Ross Thornton, Fred Glose, Donald Stegman, Pat Walker, Bill Crane, Donald Hahn, Edmund Pokorny. Second row: Donald Linville, Mgr., Casey Miller, Bill Huth, Joe Sollers, Bill White, James Harris, Charles Hoffman, Captain John Kaestner, Coach C. J. O'Connor. Top row: Senior Mgr. W. T. Fales, Jr., Barry Tubman, Dave Tilghman, James Gray, John Starks, Robert Ebert, Mgr.

Boys' Latin School, coached by "Okey" O'Connor, won the 1944 championship of the Baltimore Six-Man Football League, going undefeated and scoring 163 points to their opponents' 85 in their six league games. Guilford, with four wins and two losses, are runners-up.

The All-League team which follows was selected by having the four league members name all opponent teams, with the three league officials also casting votes. Two points were awarded for a first team vote and one for a second team ballot. All first and second team members and those who receive honorable mention will receive certificates signed by Stephen Epler, originator of six-man football, and chairman of the National Rules Committee.

**First Team**

Paul Botzler, LE, Upper Govans.

Pat Walker, C, Boys' Latin.  
Garrett Billmire, RE, Upper Govans.  
David Senft, QB, Guilford.  
Bill Cox, HB, Howard Park.  
Dick Vach, FB, Guilford.

**Second Team**

Shoemaker, LE, Howard Park.  
Sam Hill, C, Guilford.  
Donald Stegman, RE, Boys' Latin.  
Lester Phillip, QB, Upper Govans.  
Donald Clausen, Boys' Latin.  
Donald Hahn, HB, Boys' Latin.  
Fred Glose, FB, Boys' Latin.

**Honorable Mention**

Carroll Boone, Bill Griffith, George Porter, William Stut, Guilford; Robert Jones, Willis McAllen, Eugene Pieper, Upper Govans; Thomas Young, Wally Wilson, Howard Park.

Thomas Young of Howard Park was selected to receive the blocking trophy award.

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**GEORGIA**

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**RUSSELL HIGH SCHOOL—1944 N. G. I. C. CHAMPIONS**  
Coached by R. L. Bowen



**AMERICUS HIGH SCHOOL—1944 SOUTH GEORGIA CHAMPIONS**  
Coached by Jack Finklea

team came from behind to defeat LaGrange, 25 to 18, for the State B crown. Americus trailed 13 to 18 at one point during the fourth quarter before Lee's aerial show devastated the Grangers.

**G. I. A. A. FINAL STANDINGS**

| Teams                        | W | L | T  | PF  | PA  |
|------------------------------|---|---|----|-----|-----|
| Boys' High . . . . .         | 7 | 0 | 1  | 359 | 26  |
| Lanier . . . . .             | 7 | 1 | 0  | 260 | 81  |
| Tech High . . . . .          | 4 | 1 | 1  | 211 | 54  |
| Columbus High . . . . .      | 4 | 2 | 0  | 112 | 80  |
| Jordan, Columbus 1 . . . . . | 2 | 1 | 66 | 56  |     |
| Richmond Acad. . . . .       | 1 | 2 | 1  | 20  | 34  |
| Marist, Atlanta . . . . .    | 3 | 4 | 0  | 52  | 147 |
| G. M. A. . . . .             | 2 | 2 | 1  | 67  | 74  |
| Rome . . . . .               | 2 | 2 | 0  | 90  | 85  |
| Commercial . . . . .         | 0 | 3 | 0  | 13  | 209 |
| North Fulton . . . . .       | 0 | 5 | 0  | 43  | 171 |
| Benedictine . . . . .        | 0 | 4 | 0  | 18  | 128 |
| Savannah . . . . .           | 1 | 4 | 0  | 25  | 139 |
| Darlington . . . . .         | 0 | 1 | 0  | 6   | 38  |
| Riverside . . . . .          | 1 | 1 | 1  | 45  | 13  |

Attendance at high school games for the year was very high in general with the Boys' High-Tech High game drawing 16,000, the Boys' High-Miami game bringing in 11,000 customers and the Boys' High-Lanier tilt attracting 12,000. All three games were played in Atlanta.

**N. G. I. C. FINAL STANDINGS**

| Teams                  | W | L | T | PF  | PA  |
|------------------------|---|---|---|-----|-----|
| Russell . . . . .      | 8 | 0 | 1 | 319 | 50  |
| Decatur . . . . .      | 5 | 0 | 2 | 140 | 37  |
| Marist . . . . .       | 1 | 0 | 0 | 20  | 12  |
| North Fulton . . . . . | 4 | 2 | 1 | 100 | 53  |
| Marietta . . . . .     | 3 | 2 | 0 | 39  | 34  |
| LaGrange . . . . .     | 2 | 2 | 0 | 49  | 60  |
| College Park . . . . . | 3 | 3 | 0 | 52  | 65  |
| Gainesville . . . . .  | 3 | 3 | 0 | 152 | 70  |
| Fulton . . . . .       | 3 | 5 | 0 | 64  | 143 |
| West Fulton . . . . .  | 3 | 6 | 0 | 58  | 174 |
| Commercial . . . . .   | 1 | 5 | 0 | 43  | 95  |
| Hapeville . . . . .    | 1 | 7 | 0 | 46  | 209 |
| Athens . . . . .       | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12  | 87  |

**All-G. I. A. A.**

**Ends**—Red Wilson, Lanier, Macon; George Brodnax, Boys' High, Atlanta.

**Tackles**—George Phillips, Richmond Academy, Augusta; George Barrett, Boys' High.

**Guards**—Tommy Pope, Boys' High; James Bush, Columbus High.

**Center**—Buck Doyal, Boys' High.

**Backs**—Billy Henderson, Lanier; Richard Sewell, Boys' High; Jack Peek, Tech High, Atlanta; Louis Hamer, Columbus High.

**Honorable Mention**—Talley, Nolan and Wanniger of Lanier; Harrell of Jordan High, Columbus; Patton, Gossett and McWhorter, Tech High; Upchurch, Trotter and Ray, Boys' High; Hugan and Whitley, Georgia Military Academy; Salome, Marist College.

**VIRGINIA**

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Saints, was voted Richmond's most valuable schoolboy griddier for 1944 and Jonathan Jenkins, Saint tackle, the best lineman.

Chewning, Hawkins and Jenkins, all seniors, took preparatory courses last summer in readiness for their entrance in the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, this year.

The string of victories compiled by the Saints follows:

**1942**

Nov. 13—6; Benedictine, 0  
Nov. 21—26; VES, Lynchburg, 0

**1943**

Sept. 24—19; Hopewell, 0  
Oct. 2—20; John Marshall, 0  
Oct. 9—27; EHS, Alexandria, 0  
Oct. 14—54; Benedictine, 6  
Oct. 23—31; Thomas Jefferson, 7  
Oct. 29—32; Blackstone High, 0  
Nov. 6—33; Woodberry Forest, 6  
Nov. 13—26; Petersburg, 12  
Nov. 20—42; VES at Lynchburg, 7

**1944**

Sept. 29—20; Hopewell, 6  
Oct. 6—33; John Marshall, 0  
Oct. 14—33; EHS at Alexandria, 7  
Oct. 21—31; Benedictine, 0  
Oct. 28—34; Thomas Jefferson, 6  
Nov. 11—28; Woodberry Forest, 6  
Nov. 18—20; Petersburg, 6  
Nov. 25—48; VES, Lynchburg, 0

## MID-SOUTH

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promise he showed as a fifteen year old last year. Acree, who captains Baylor next year, is a fine blocker and a capable defensive end. Douglas Watson of C.M.A. and Rob McDonald of S.M.A. were both good pass receivers and were well ahead of the field for second team berths.

### TACKLES

The balloting for tackle was strictly between three boys, Boyd Jacoway of Baylor, who won the first spot, and Clyde Reese of S.M.A. and Don Tanner of Castle Heights who tied for the other post. Jacoway was an important cog in the smooth blocking Baylor forward wall, his fast charging to block punts coming at especially opportune times during the season. Both Reese and Tanner were outstanding defensively, with Tanner also leading Castle Heights' plays from guard. Elder Glenn and John Pritchard of Darlington, and William Whitley of G. M.A. were deadlocked for places on the second team.

### GUARDS

Elliott Blaydes of McCallie led the McCallie plays, backed up the line, and closed his career brilliantly by scoring McCallie's touchdown against Darlington on a blocked punt, with his outstanding play in the North-South post-season game in Chattanooga, having much to do with his selection by the coaches. Henderson King of B.G.A. was the star of B.G.A.'s line, and won his berth over two other scrapers, Bill Davis of Notre Dame and Clyde Hagan of G.M.A.

### CENTER

Tommy Buttram of McCallie was named center again after a close race with Paul Barcroft of Baylor. Buttram's defensive play was outstanding particularly in the first half of the season, but after being slowed up by injuries he came back in the final game to his early season strength. Barcroft was a fine blocker, receiving some of his votes for guard and tackle as well as center. Jim Davis of Notre Dame and Bascom Cooksey of Castle Heights also received some support.

### BACKS

Harry Draper of McCallie and Gordon Pettus of Baylor were practically unanimous choices for the backfield, Draper for his work as McCallie's signal caller, his fine defensive play, accurate passing and hard running, and Pettus as the best open-field runner in the Mid-South. He plays the left halfback slot as

it should be played. David McCrary, T.M.I.'s 190 pound fullback and captain, wins the third berth, having few equals in the loop as a power runner.

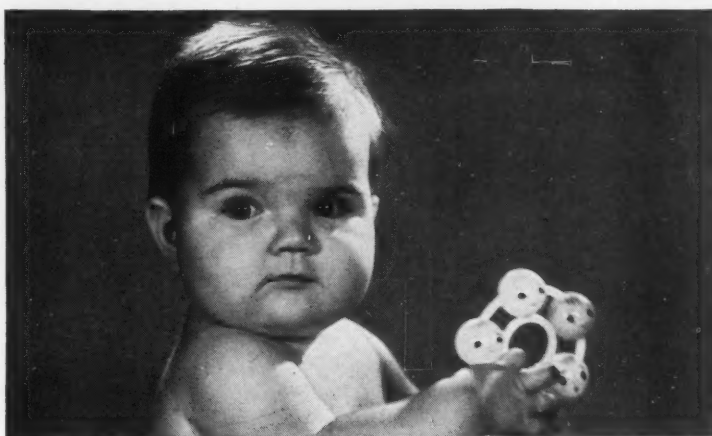
The fourth place ended in a tie between Joe Gribben of Notre Dame, an elusive halfback, and "Bam" Webster of C.M.A., who is a power runner and good defensive back. Both are juniors and return next year. The second backfield backs plenty of scoring power paced in the voting by Ed Mallary, Baylor's Sunday Punch, with Don Ferguson of Baylor to block and call signals and Walter Hansen of C.M.A. and Price Morrison of McCallie, both constant scoring threats, rounding out the quartet.

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The 1944-45 edition of the Nashville Convair Bomberettes—the same as last season's national championship team with the exception of two replacements. Seated in the center is Dora McPherson, forward, and the others, from left to right, are: Blanche McPherson, g; Margie Cooper, g; Virginia Hamblen, f; Margaret Petty, g; Tony Breeding, g; Capt. Aline Banks Pate, f; Mary Jane Marshall, f; Lucille Gentry, g; and Nora Marshall, g.

## COACHING GIRLS' BASKETBALL

By BILLY HUDSON, Coach, Convair Bomberettes, Nashville, Tenn.

In training the Bomberettes I have always stressed three essentials: condition, balance and teamwork, and in my opinion the most important of the three is condition. I believe this is true because no matter how much a player has learned of teamwork and balance, unless she is in top physical condition she won't last five minutes on the court.

No strict training rules are placed on my players for the very simple reason that every girl on the team knows that no sport as fast and strenuous as basketball can be played by a girl who is out of condition.

The Bomberettes are never asked to take 50, 25, or even one, lap around the gym in order to improve their condition. They usually start their practice by making long shots

and occasionally breaking in at top speed for a crip. Every player follows her own shots and retrieves them for her teammates.

About once every third practice, the girls have a 10-minute crip shot drill in order to keep them in form for jumping and driving under the basket to take passes. Each practice is topped off with 15 to 30 minutes of snappy scrimmage. The entire practice session lasts approximately an hour and a half, and there are two every week.

In this it is easily seen that instead of a sustained drive throughout our sessions, there is a gradual increase in tempo which builds the players into condition easily and without exhaustion.

As far as staying in condition is concerned, this is left entirely to the

players. They always know just what condition they are in and they are not backward about letting the coach know it.

In training a player in defense, or guard play, no matter whether she is a guard or forward, the principal thing I always stress is balance. This balance is best attained by maintaining a crouching position.

The defensive player should always keep one outstretched hand just a few inches from her opponent's face, thus at least partly obscuring her vision. The other arm should be kept outstretched at the side, which is essential in keeping balance.

Good balance keeps a defensive player from allowing her opponent to fake her out of position, consequently less fouls are committed.





Margie Cooper (left), Bomberette guard, receives expert instruction from Coach Billy Hudson in effectively guarding All-American Mary Jane Marshall, forward. Billy's stance (with the exception of the pointing finger) is standard with Convair guards.

#### EDITOR'S NOTE

Billy Hudson, coach of the Consolidated Vultee Bomberettes of Nashville, national A. A. U. girls' basketball champions in 1943-44, has coached five girls' basketball teams in the past eight years. During this time, his teams played a total of 202 games and lost only 14, including tournament play. Three of his teams were undefeated in regular season play.

Hudson organized the Bomberettes in 1941, and that year they won 56 games and lost seven. They went to St. Joseph, Mo., that season for the national tournament and came away with the consolation championship.

During the team's second year they were defeated in the quarter-finals at St. Joe by only three points. This year, however, they copped the title as well as several All-American honors.

Alline Banks Pate, captain of the Convair sextet, was named to the All-American for the fifth time, and was chosen captain of the mythical team for the third consecutive time. During the tournament, Mrs. Pate, alone, scored more points than all of her opponents combined. She racked up a total of 58 points, which was one point more than the combined scores of all four opposing teams.

Margaret Sexton Petty, guard, was given a place on the all-star slate for the third time, while Mary Jane Marshall, forward, and Doris Weems, guard, received honorable mention for the second time.

A native of Nashville, 39-year-old Billy went through Hume-Fogg High School there and during his school days helped organize a Y. M. C. A. team. Each of the two years it played, his team won the city championship.

The guard should also stay about three feet from her opponent so that when she is thrown slightly off balance by a fake pass she will be able to recover in time to shift her stance before her opponent passes her.

Offensive training constitutes pass work and more pass work. Two or three simple plays are run through several times during each practice session so that each player will know her own position on the court, as

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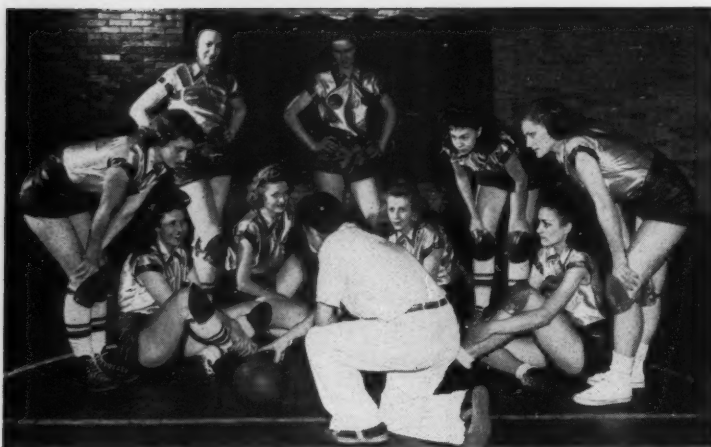
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well as that of every other member of the team, at all times.

These simple plays are not always carried through to the letter but are used only as a basis to work on. Every guard is taught offensive tactics as well as defensive tactics, and the forwards are also taught both types of play.

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## ALABAMA

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cauga), ends; Earl Stover, Huntsville, center; Joe Hicks, Ramsey (Birmingham), Dick Flournoy, West End, Billy Jordan, Gadsden, and Robert Hood, Emma Sansom, (Gadsden), backs.

When the honor teams were being named, two youths who made the All-State second team, were right up there on the All-Southern team. They were James (Red) Patton, a fine tailback from Bessemer, and Leroy Propst, of Central High in Phoenix City. Four of the fellows on the All-State team, Flournoy, Hicks, Burns, and Steiner also made the All-Southern.

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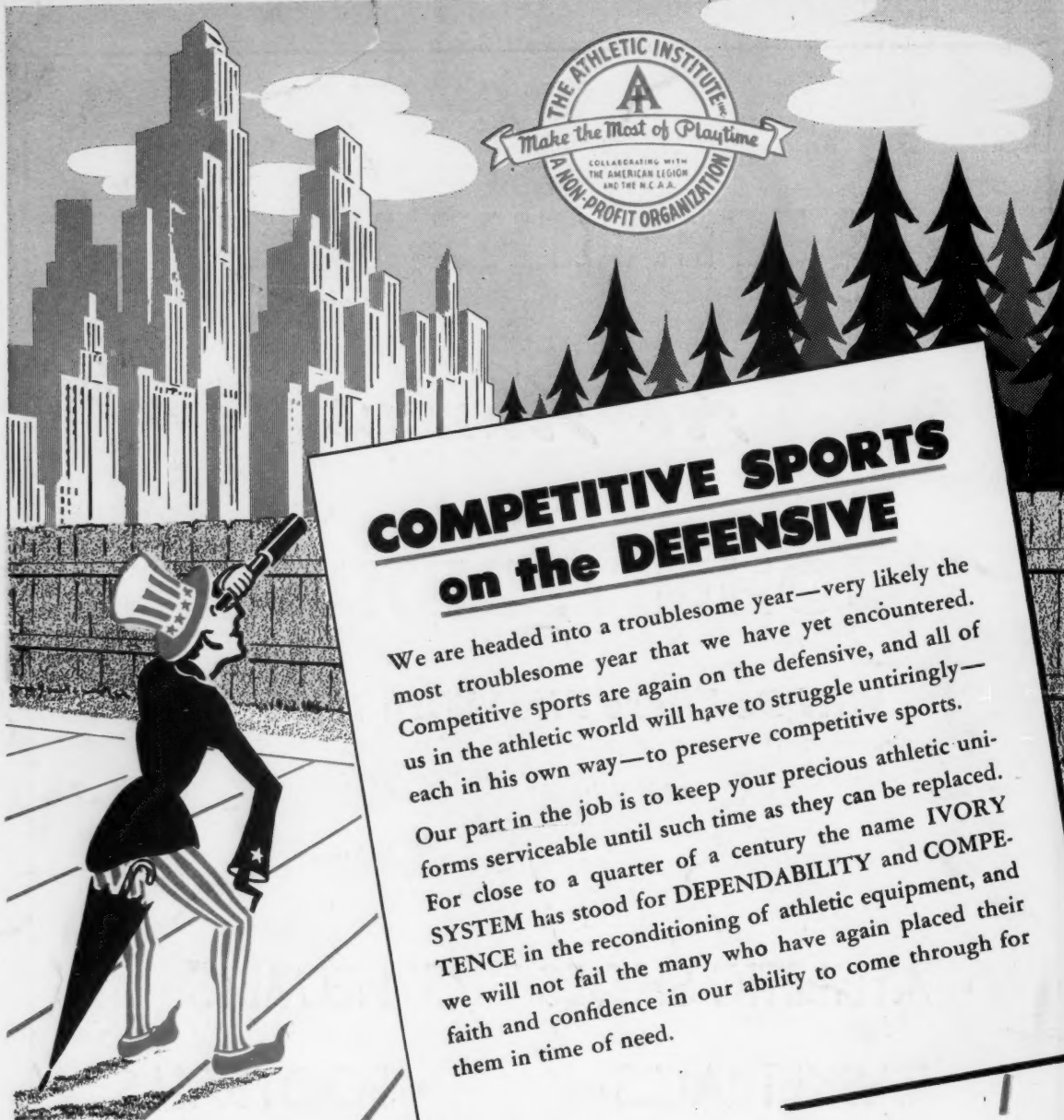
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